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## DAVIS NOMINEE FOR COMMANDER.

Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company Made up Its State of Officers Last Night.



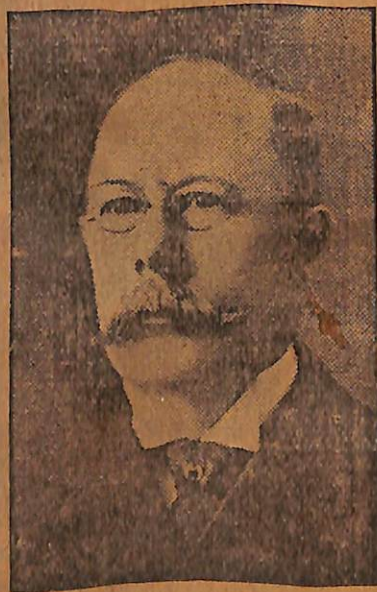
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The most important meeting of the year was held last night in Faneuil hall, when the Ancient and Honorable artillery company nominated its officers. Maj. Henry G. Jordan presided and there was a large attendance. The nomination is virtually an election as the nominees chosen last night are invariably elected on the common on the first Monday in June, when the company has its annual church parade, banquet and election.

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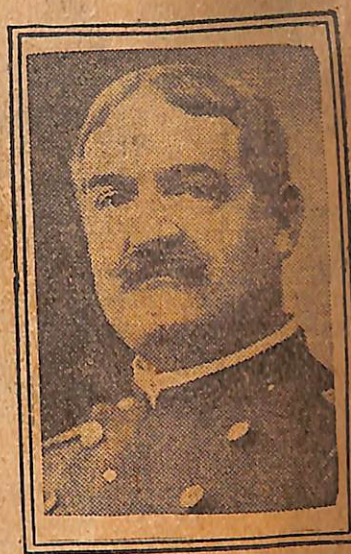
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## NOMINEES OF ANCIENTS

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For First Lieutenant.

## NAMED FOR HONORS BY THE ANCIENTS

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Capt. James A. Davis, nominated for commander, was born and educated in Maine. His father, James W. Davis of Ellsworth, was one of the leading business men of that part of the state. He came to Boston as soon as school days were over. He has been a member of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company a number of years, has held various Masonic offices and is a member of several organizations.

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**Jordan-Dyar Controversy  
Reported Result of  
O'Meara's Order**

the "drumming up" at sunrise. During the parade in the afternoon the Ancients were handed a decidedly wet reminder that the weather man was on, or rather off the job. But although the rainfall was quite heavy at one time, not a member deserted his socks, and wet uniforms were treated as incident of the celebration.

In connection with this it is said that Adjutant Perlie A. Dyar refused to go out with the fifers and drummers, at Faneuil Hall yesterday morning.

After a conversation over the telephone with Commander Henry C. Jordan of Hingham at 4 o'clock, Adjutant Dyar, it is said, turned the entire matter over to Clarence Knowlton, drum-major of the corps, to whom Commander Jordan had instructed Dyar to give the permit to march issued by Commissioner O'Meara.

When the five drummers and five fifers left Faneuil Hall they had no member of the Ancients with them. They wore no different from any other fire and drum corps, and many of the Ancients believe, on this fact, the custom was not out.

It is stated that several officers of the Amiens desired to carry out the plan to drum up the other soldiers and make a test case at their residence and several of it, but Commander Jordan and several others refused.

It was shortly before 4 o'clock yesterday morning when the members of the drum and drum corps assembled in front of the small hall. They had no official uniforms, but wore the same as the regular band, where they were to go.

### Withdrawal of Dyar

Mr. Knowlton told the Post man Mr. Furmont had instructed them to come right into the hotel and play if they were forbidden to play at any other place.

There were many, it was rumored, who took exceptions to the orders of Commander Jordan over the position he had taken, but there were others who commended the act.

Despite the incident of the early morning ravelling, which threatened an encounter with the police, the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company celebrated its 270th anniversary yesterday with a

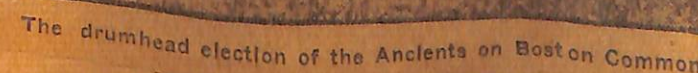
The election over, the retiring officers delivered their commands into the hands of the Lieutenant-Governor, he giving them in turn to the newly elected.

Bloom, Richard Gratwicke of the Honourable Artillery Company of London, the Rev. John Suter, Robert Green and Professor R. G. de Surteault.

Davis then read a letter to be sent him by Excellency containing the well wishes of the company for continued and prolonged health.

Mayor Hibbard asked for the co-operation of the company in his efforts to give the city a good administration. Professor De Smetheant, responding to the toast Harvard College, spoke of the bond that exists between the two cities.

But Commissioner O'Meara's Blue Coats Win the Skirmish With Adjutant Dyar's Drummers



When his horse fell, Major Jordan was unable to free himself from the straps. And as the horse struggled along the slippery asphalt in an attempt to regain its footing, Major Jordan was dragged

He was badly shaken up and after a short stay at the banquet in Faneuil Hall went to his home.

Colonel Dyar was uninjured.



# ASKS ANCIENTS TO FORM COMPANY

Adj. Gen. Brigham Proposes Light Artillery Company and Members Cheer Him—Commander Jordan Hurt in Parade.

Enthusiastic applause greeted the suggestion of Adj. Gen. Brigham at the banquet of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company last night when the official head of the volunteer militia advocated the formation of a light artillery company among the members of the venerable organization which eventually would become a portion of the State militia. From the manner in which the suggestion was received it is more than probable that action looking toward the formation of such a company would be taken in the near future.

Outside of the surrender to Police Commissioner O'Meara in the matter of sounding the reveille there was but one untoward happening to cast a glamor of gloom over the festivities of the annual field day of the historic company, and that was the accident which befell Commander Henry G. Jordan and Adj. Perlie A. Dyer at the exercises at the Common, when both officers were thrown from their horses. The animals fell upon the wet pavements, throwing both riders. Neither sustained any serious injury, though the shock to Commander Jordan was so great that he was forced to curtail speaking to the toast "Past Commanders" at the banquet, his substitute being Col. J. Payson Bradley.

It was the 270th anniversary of the Ancients, and began shortly after day-break with a modified reveille, a drum corps playing at Faneuil Hall, the Soldiers' monument, State House and Parker's.

The company assembled at Faneuil Hall at 1 o'clock, and proceeded to the Old South Church in Copley square, where the annual service was held. The company then proceeded to the Common, where, in the presence of the Acting Governor Eben S. Draper, the election and installation of officers took place. The following officers were placed: Captain, James A. Davis; first lieutenant, John D. Nichols; second lieutenant, Irving B. Vose; and adjutant, Col. William H. Oakes.

Hundreds of invited guests thronged the parade ground, and in spite of the rain that fell the maneuvers were carried out with a snap and dash that won the plaudits of the spectators.

## "Army of Peace."

Particularly impressive were the church services, and the sermon delivered by the Rev. John Suter on the "Army of Peace" was listened to with great attention.

It was shortly after 1 o'clock when Commander Henry G. Jordan gave the command to march from the armory, and the Ancients proceeded through South Market, Commercial, State, Washington, School and Beacon streets to the State House, where Acting Governor Draper was in waiting. He entered a carriage and then the company counter-marched down Beacon street to School, Washington, Milk, Congress, High, Summer, Winter, Tremont and Boston streets.

When the Common was reached the review was held before the acting governor and his staff, and immediately following came the drumhead election.

## Turn Over Insignia.

This over, the retiring officers marched to the front and turned over the insignia of office to Acting Governor Draper through Adj. Gen. Brigham, each retiring officer being followed by the officer chosen to take his place. The election of officers in detail resulted as follows:

- Captain—Lieut. James A. Davis of Boston.
- First Lieutenant—Capt. John D. Nichols of Somerville.
- Second Lieutenant—Sergt. Irving B. Vose of Roxbury.
- Adjutant—Col. William H. Oakes of Charlestown.
- Sergeant of Infantry—Wilbur F. Adams of Dorchester.
- Second Sergeant of Infantry—S. C. L. Haskell of Medford.
- Third Sergeant of Infantry—Sebastian G. Smith of Jamaica Plain.
- Fourth Sergeant of Infantry—Francis H. Appleton of Brookline.
- Fifth Sergeant of Infantry—George Adams of Roxbury.
- Sixth Sergeant of Infantry—Robert J. Rodday of Roxbury.
- First sergeant of artillery—James G. Young, Jr., of Boston.
- Second sergeant of artillery—Dana T. Dudley of Haverhill.
- Third sergeant of artillery—Joseph C. Shepherd of Gloucester.
- Fourth sergeant of artillery—R. Sherman McCarter of Cambridge.
- Fifth sergeant of artillery—Sergt. John L. Fiske of Cambridge.
- Sixth sergeant of artillery—Amos R. Storer of West Roxbury.
- Quartermaster—William L. Willey of Boston.
- Paymaster and treasurer—Lieut. Em. Grover of Needham.
- Drummer and clerk—Lieut.

# FOUR MEN PROMINENT IN ANCIENTS' CELEBRATION



## Dinner the Best.

Always noted for their evening dinner, which concludes their celebration, this part of the program last evening eclipsed any previous effort, and from the first to the last, fun reigned supreme.

All the toasts were responded to by an unusual list of talented speakers and each one was heartily applauded.

The following speakers responded to the various toasts:

"The Commonwealth of Massachusetts," Lieutenant Governor Eben S. Draper; "The City of Boston," Mayor George A. Hibbard; "Harvard College," Professor F. C. DeSumichrast; "The Grand Army of the Republic," Alfred S. Rowe; "The Honourable Artillery Company of London," T. F. Bradley of London; "The Massachusetts Volunteer Militia," Adj. Gen. William H. Brigham, and Past Commander J. Payson Bradley. Retiring Adj. Perlie A. Dyer officiated as toastmaster, and Commander-elect Davis introduced the speakers.

Lieutenant Governor Draper in his opening remarks said: "I have learned today that this organization has taken more water than at any other time in their existence. I was present at the baptism on the Common."

## Hibbard Makes Bid.

Mayor George A. Hibbard paid a glowing tribute to the artillery company and said that no organization could have Faneuil Hall for a headquarters without representing something pretty good. In conclusion he said: "This government in Boston is a hard proposition, but I will win out. I need such aid as an organization of your kind and I am confident I shall get that aid from you."

Alfred S. Rowe, in answering to his toast, "The Grand Army of the Republic," complimented the assembly in their sending men into the Civil War, and in conclusion he appealed to the organization to give a place on their menu card for a toast to the Grand Army of the Republic in the future.

The next speaker, Adj. Gen. William Brigham of the State militia, brought down the house when he suggested that the company organize a light artillery company and join the militia, and his appeal was greeted with cheers that continued for several minutes.

As usual a volley of corks ended the day's proceedings.

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# SCENES AT ANCIENTS' 270TH FIELD DAY

Acting Governor Draper and Maj. Henry G. Jordan, Retiring Commander, Reviewing the Parade.

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## "ANCIENTS" HOLD 270TH FIELD DAY

Adj. Perlie A. Dyer Sounds Reveille at 4 A. M.; Banquet All Over at Midnight.

The 270th anniversary of the organization of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of Boston passed into history at midnight last night—about the time the last member of the company was stepping into a cab and caretakers were locking the doors of Faneuil Hall. At 4 A. M., when Adj. Perlie A. Dyer, with his detail of drummers and fifers, beat the reveille upon Boston Common, the field day was officially begun, although members of the company did not respond to the summons until some five or six hours later—probably, as Adj. Dyer explained, because it takes some time to travel to Hingham and Scituate.

At noon the artillery company was assembling at its armory; at 1 P. M. it had marched to the State House and been joined by the acting commander-in-chief, Lieut.-Gov. Draper; at 2:30 it had reached the New Old South Church, where a special service was held. Upon leaving the church the Ancients marched through the rain to Boston Common, where the time-honored drumhead election was held and new officers were commissioned. Evening parade followed, after which the company returned to the armory, where a reception followed until 6:30. Last, but not the least important function, was the annual dinner. That, in brief, was the 270th field day.

**Capt. J. A. Davis Presides.**  
Capt. James A. Davis presided at dinner, and Maj. Perlie A. Dyer was toastmaster. The band in the gallery played, and the diners found time to sing the choruses lustily. The commissary department of the company did themselves proud. Lieut.-Gov. Draper, when introduced to respond to the "Commonwealth of Massachusetts," said:  
"The Artillery company took more water this afternoon than it is generally supposed to like, and I regret to say that I participated with you in that baptism. I see, however, that many of you are taking the necessary steps to prevent the water from doing you any harm. This was greeted with cheers, and the band played loudly and the Lieut.-Gov. long an said:  
"A letter long an said:  
"No man is a more intimate friend of Gov. Gould than myself and none so anxious to see him getting well. Speaking of the commonwealth, he said: long enough to value of Gov. Gould here material matters and we joined with heart and tradition. Health and good wishes to the company."



### Drumhead Election on Common.

Mayor Hibbard responded for Boston and told of his efforts to give the city good government.

### For Harvard College.

Prof. De Sumichrast responded for Harvard College, a perennial toast at the Ancients' banquets. He said in part:

"The Anglo-Saxon is not a militant race, but it has to the full the military spirit. Nations which have not been able to appreciate this distinction have learned it to their cost.

"There are perhaps persons in this country who would dispense with an army and navy and rely upon the Christian spirit of their opponents. These must learn that universal peace cannot be brought about by compulsory disarmament or imprudent laying down of arms, but by progressive education all over the world.

"In America education is the birthright of every citizen, and knowledge is the solution of many of our evils. The true American spirit will never tolerate corruption as a regular part of its life or permit wrong in high places to endure.

"In Harvard, America has a college known to every nation of the world as one which shines among the great constellation of universities which illumine the earth."

Maj. Gratwicke, a member of the London Honourable Artillery company, was a guest of honor, and said:

"America and England are indebted to no body for the present era of good feeling between the two countries so much as to the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of Boston. Their visit to London, the welcome they gave the London Company upon its return visit did much to cement good fellowship between the two nations."

### Ode to the Company.

Major Henry C. Davis, U. S. A., responded to the "Army and Navy," and the Hon. Alfred S. Rowe, Massachusetts department commander, to the "G. A. R."



In Foreground, from Left to Right—Acting Governor Draper, Adj. Gen. Brigham and Gen. Lawrence Leaving the State House, Followed by Members of the Governor's Staff.

The services at the New Old South Church yesterday afternoon were very impressive. They included the reading of an ode to the company upon its 270th anniversary by Robert M. Green, and a sermon by the Rev. John W. Suter of Winchester, who defended the army pacifist as the ally of the Church Militant to guarantee Christian civilization. "The Soldier of Peace" was his theme.

The acting Governor was received at the camp ground on the Common by the commander-in-chief's salute from the Ancients' battery. Several thousand people assembled to watch the ceremonies in spite of the inclement weather. The newly commissioned officers are:  
Captain, James A. Davis; first lieutenant, Capt. John D. Nichols; second lieutenant, Irving C. Vose; adjutant, Lieut.-Col. William H. Oakes.  
Maj. H. G. Jordan turned the command over to Capt. Davis, who lead the company back to its armory. Upon relinquishing with a silver loving cup by the company.



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# SCENES ON COMMON WHERE ANCIENTS ELECTED OFFICERS AND WERE INSPECTED BY LIEUT GOV DRAPER YESTERDAY



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# DRUM AS ORDERED

## Ancients Obey the Police.

## Parade One of Best in Many Years.

## Crowd Sees the Elections Held on Common.

## Dinner Completes the Program for Day.

The Ancient and Honorable artillery company yesterday celebrated its 270th anniversary, and the parade turnout was one of the finest in years. There was a parade, church service, election, review and banquet. Lieut Gov Eben S. Draper reviewed the parade, owing to Gov Guild's condition.

## O'MEARA'S ORDERS OBEYED.

But Some Ancients Say Next Year Reveille Will Be Sounded as of Yore.

The reveille of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery was sounded yesterday morning in front of the Parker house, the state house, Faneuil hall and on the common. It has been the custom to sound the drum and officers at 4 a m on the field day, but Police Commissioner O'Meara forbade it this year. While a few of the officers stopping at the Parker house heard it, the reveille was a mere formality, and was carried out in as close an observance as possible to old traditions. Members who opposed the commissioner's ruling and are dissatisfied because the officers in command conformed with the ruling said plainly with the that next year the reveille will be sounded as formerly, and termed the dictatorial attitude of Commissioner O'Meara.

The company made a fine appearance and was accorded a cordial reception all along the route. At noon the members began to gather at Faneuil hall, and at 1:30 the assembly was formed on South Market street. The following order of march was followed:

1st Lt. Henry G. Jordan commanding.  
2d Lt. Charles E. Durgin.  
3d Lt. William B. Gaines.  
4th Lt. William B. Wood.  
5th Lt. George A. Perkins.  
6th Lt. Francis W. Lawrence.  
State and national colors.  
Sergeant Augustus Andrews and Sergeant Boardman S. Parker, color bearers.  
Company of past officers.  
Company composed of G. A. R. veterans.  
5th Infantry band, John M. Flockton leader.

Wiley qm. Capt George E. Hall commissary, Lieut Emory Grover paymaster, Lieut George H. Allen asst paymaster, Rev Thomas Van Ness chaplain, Maj George F. Quinby sergt maj, Capt J. Henry Brown qm sergt, Sergt Henry F. Wade commissary sergt, Arthur T. Lovell qm sergt, Sergt George B. Ketchum hospital steward, Honorary staff, of the commander, under command of Col J. Payson Bradley.

**INFANTRY WING.**  
1st Lieut Howard C. Woodbury commanding.  
1st company, Sergt Charles E. Durgin.  
2d company, Sergt Jacob A. Turner.  
3d company, Sergt William B. Gaines.  
4th company, Sergt William B. Wood.  
5th company, George A. Perkins.  
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**ARTILLERY WING.**  
2d Lieut Isaac A. G. Steele commanding.  
1st company, Charles W. Arnold.  
2d company, Nathan B. Bash.  
3d company, Sergt Charles H. Buchanan.  
4th company, Sergt Perille B. Thompson.  
5th company, Sergt George J. Quinsler.  
6th company.

The following details were made by Maj Jordan: Col Henry L. Kincaide officer of the day, Gen Samuel Lawrence special escort to the governor.

The command was handsomely turned over to Maj Jordan, and the company marched to the church over the following route: Commercial, State, Washington, School and Beacon sts to the state house, where a short halt was made to take under escort the Lieutenant governor, who was accompanied by the following members of the governor's staff: Adj Gen William H. Brigham, Col William C. Capelle, Commander William B. Edgar, Maj Ira Vaughn, Walter Scott Hale, Philip S. Sears and Thomas Aldrich.

Among the special guests were Maj George F. Gratwicke of Devon, Eng, who is at present a guest of A. Shuman, one of the oldest members of the company. The major wore the uniform of the English volunteers.

### Commander Was Mounted.

For the second time in the history of the organization the commander was mounted, Maj Henry G. Jordan riding a Kentucky thoroughbred at the head of the column, and the mounted escort to the Lieutenant governor, under command of Capt William H. Hennessey, also made a fine appearance.

It was made up as follows: Capt W. H. Hennessey, Lieut William F. Hall, Lieut Thomas Tute, Lieut William Shattucks, Lieut William Thomas, Capt William O. Webber and J. H. Lane.

The following paraded on the honorary staff: Capt George T. Howlett and Lieut Edmund Moro, governor's foot guards, Connecticut; Lieut Col Clarence H. Greene, RING; Lieut Col W. L. Lytle and Lieut H. L. Adams, Worcester continentals; Capt J. H. Dillaway Jr, MVM; Capt A. L. Phelps, 9th infantry; Capt J. B. Hanscom, C. A. C.; Capt A. C. Sawyer, Fusilier veterans; Naval Constructor Snow, USN; Maj L. C. Merrill and Maj C. E. Stanleys, Amoskeag veterans, Manchester, N H; Lieut N. P. Wilson, Lieut T. A. Clark and Capt Hartmann, USA; Maj Chas. F. Sargent and Capt U. W. Marshall, light artillery, MVM; Lieut Col Charles M. Green, retired, MVM.

The company then countermarched and proceeded down Beacon, School, Washington, Milk, Congress, High, Summer, Winter, Tremont and Boylston sts to the Old South church. Throughout the whole route Lieut Gov Draper was enthusiastically received, and his hat was almost continuously off, acknowledging the cheers.

### Services at Church.

At the church seats had been reserved for the members of the company, and every seat in the vast building was occupied.

The following was the order of services:

Organ recital (before arrival of company).  
(a) Marche militaire.....Chas. Gounod  
(b) Cantilene in D flat.....Th. Dubois  
(c) Overture in E flat.....L. Wely  
William Lester Bates.  
Salutation to the colors.  
Teel's band.  
Service prelude, The Lost Chord.....Sullivan  
Teel's band.  
Invocation.  
Te deum, Festival in E flat.....Dudley Buck  
Double quartet.  
Reading of Scripture.  
Rev William H. Rider, DD.  
Soprano solo, I Will Extol Knight.....M. Costa  
Miss Josephine Knight.  
Reading of the deaths for the year by Col Dyar, adjutant.  
Memorial hymn, The Vacant Chair.....Smith  
Harvard quartet.  
Taps.  
Prayer, Rev Edward A. Horton, DD.  
Response, Come Gracious Spirit.....Herbeck  
Harvard quartet.  
Sermon, Rev John W. Suter.  
Solo and chorus, O for the Wings of a Dove, Handel.  
Double quartet.  
Interlude, Under the Willows.....Henry  
Teel's band.  
Ode, by Robert Montreville Green.  
Benediction.  
Grand march, Teel's band.  
The following assisted in the musical portions of the exercises: Teel's military band; double quartet, Miss Jo-mester Teel; Miss Lottie Williams; Miss Josephine Knight; Miss Adelaide Grace; Jewell Boyd; Mr. Lester.

At the conclusion of the services the company marched to the Common for the election of officers and review.

### Immense Crowd on Common.

There was an immense crowd on the common when the company arrived.

Immediately on arrival the company formed three sides of a square and the ceremony of the annual drum head election took place, with the following result: Lieut James A. Davis commander, Capt John C. Nichols 1st lieut, Sergt Irving B. Vose 2d lieut, Col William H. Oakes adjt.

The following were elected sergeants of infantry: Sergt Wilbur F. Adams, S. C. L. Haskell, Sebastian Gahn, Francis H. Appleton, George Adams, R. J. Rod-day. Sergeants of artillery elected were James G. Young Jr, Dana T. Dudley, Joseph C. Sheppard, R. Sherman McCarter, John E. Fiske and Amos R. Storer, Lieut William L. Willey was elected quartermaster, Lieut Emory Grover paymaster, Capt George E. Hall commissary and Lieut George A. Allen assistant paymaster.

The election over, the result was communicated to the lieutenant governor and the ceremony of inducting the officers into office took place. As each officer marched up to receive his commission he was received with a round of applause from his friends and a section of battery C. Lawrence, 1st battalion, light infantry, fired a salute, notifying the citizens of the commonwealth that a new officer had been commissioned in this ancient command.

Then followed the review. The ceremony was a good one, in the march past the alignment was well maintained, the salutes fine and the men very steady.

### Good Time at Banquet.

As a conclusion of the exercises on the Common, the command escorted the lieutenant governor to the state house and then marched to headquarters at Faneuil hall. After a recess of an hour, to give the members an opportunity to prepare for the banquet, which was scheduled to take place at 6 o'clock, the company sat down to dinner.

On the right of the new commander, Capt James A. Davis, sat not only the officers of the MVM, but also officers of the USA who are stationed at the forts in the harbor.

The affair was intended for a good time, set speeches being tabooed, but everyone was called upon to say something, and good humor was paramount. The principal speakers were Lieut Gov Eben S. Draper, Mayor George A. Hibbard and Adj Gen W. H. Brigham of the MVM.

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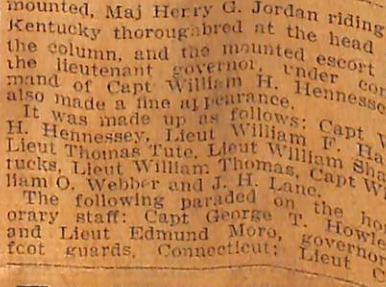
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5th infantry; Capt J. B. Hanson  
C. A. C.; Capt A. C. Sawyer, Fusiles  
veterans; Naval Constructor Snow, USN  
Maj L. C. Merrill and Maj C. E. Stan  
iels, Amoskeag veterans, Manchester  
N. H.; Lieut N. P. Wilson, Lieut T. A.  
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At the church seats reserved for the members of the company, the vast building and every other seat in the order of service was occupied.

Salutation to the Teel's band.  
Service prelude, The Lost Chord.....Sullivan  
Teel's band.  
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At the election of  
the new hall, this  
crowd on Common.  
immense crowd on the  
company arrived and

A sepia-toned photograph showing a group of men in uniform, likely British Royal Marines, standing in a line in front of a grand, classical building with large columns. One man on the right is standing next to a large, round, wheeled object, possibly a cannon or a large drum. The scene is set on a cobblestone street. The image is part of a historical document, with text visible at the bottom.

Immediately on arrival the company formed three sides of a square and the ceremony of the annual drum head election took place, with the following results:

infantry: Sergt Wilbur F. Adams, S. C. L. Haskell, Sebastian Gahm, Francis H. Appleton, George Adams, R. J. Rodday. Sergeants of artillery elected were James G. Young Jr, Dana

The election over, the result was communicated to the lieutenant governor and the ceremony of inducting the offi-

Then followed the review. The cere-

governor and party was left at the state house, but will join the company this evening at the banquet, at which covers have been ordered for 450 and

MERELY MATTER OF FORM.

on this, the morning of the annual field day of the organization, but the "drumming up" of members was a matter of fact.

It has been the custom of the organization to sound the drum and life about 4 o'clock on the field day morning in front of the school.

the injunction came the threat of criminal prosecution in the event of the disobedience of the statute.

would be undignified to disregard the commissioner's orders and be arrested on the morning of field day, and a drum

A few of the officers who happened to be abed at the Parker house heard the drums and fifes in the street be-

The stand that the police commissioner took in the matter of the "drumming up" started considerable arguing

incensed. These latter are telling this morning what's going to be done next year, and the program they outline is just the same as has been carried out in years past.

that next year the review will be  
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However, for the benefit of those

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Ancients Were "Drummed Up" Only  
at Four Places, Commissioner  
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ing up" was merely a matter of form as compared with the performances of former years and with the performance

front of the homes of the officers to arouse them to the day's festivities, but this year the celebration for

Many of the A. H. A. wanted to disregard the orders from police headquarters.



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*June 2 - 1908.*

## BANQUET ENDS FESTIVITIES

Ancients' 270th Anniversary Celebration  
Has a Fitting Conclusion

The 270th anniversary celebration of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company was brought to a fitting close last evening with the annual banquet in Faneuil Hall, which was handsomely decorated. The scene was a brilliant one, the company being honored with the presence of many distinguished guests, including statesmen, judges, officers of the army and navy and members of the City Government.

Captain James A. Davis of Lexington, the newly elected commander, sat at the head of the table, and on his immediate right and left were Acting Governor Eben S. Draper and Mayor George A. Hibbard. When Captain Davis arose to welcome the guests he was given an enthusiastic welcome. After a brief speech in which he asked the support of the members in the year's work he introduced as the toastmaster the retiring adjutant, Perlie A. Dyar.

The first toast, "The President of the United States," was responded to by the band, which played "The Star Spangled Banner." A letter of regret at being unable to be present was read from Governor Guild, and then as the first speaker of the evening Acting Governor Eben S. Draper responded to the toast "The Commonwealth of Massachusetts." He made an interesting speech and said it was a matter of congratulation for the State that such a body as the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company exists within its borders.

Mayor Hibbard responded for "The City of Boston" and told of his efforts to give the city of Boston good government and asked the coöperation of the Ancients in his endeavors.

Professor Sumichrast responded for Harvard College. He said, in part:

"The Anglo-Saxon is not a militant race, but it has to the full the military spirit. Nations which have not been able to appreciate this distinction have learned it to their cost.

"There are perhaps persons in this country who would dispense with an army and navy and rely upon the Christian spirit of their opponents. These must learn that universal peace cannot be brought about by compulsory disarmament or imprudent laying down of arms, but by progressive education all over the world.

"In America education is the birthright of every citizen, and knowledge is the solution of many of our evils. The true American spirit will never tolerate corruption as a regular part of its life or permit wrong in high places to endure.

"In Harvard, America has a college known to every nation of the world as one which shines among the great constellation of universities which illumine the earth."

Major Gratwicke, a member of the London Honourable Artillery Company, was a guest of honor, and said: "America and England are indebted to no body for the present era of good feeling between the two countries so much as to the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of Boston. Their visit to London, the welcome they gave the London Company upon its return visit did much to cement good fellowship between the two nations."

Adjutant General Brigham responded for the "Massachusetts Volunteer Militia" and he aroused enthusiasm when he advocated the formation of a light artillery company among the members of the organization, eventually to become a part of the State militia.

Colonel J. Payson Bradley brought the speaking to a close by responding to the toast for the company's past commanders.

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*June 9 - 1908*

## ANCIENTS MAY FIGHT.

Plan to Form Troop in the  
Active Militia.

Will Welcome Richmond Blues  
Coming Here on Labor Day.

A large gathering of members of the Ancient and Honorable artillery company at the armory last night welcomed the new commander, Capt James A. Davis. The principal business was hearing the report of the judge advocate, Lieut Joseph J. Feeley. The lieutenant gave a very interesting account of the services rendered by the company to the country and state and closed by moving that a committee be formed to consider the advisability of forming some troop, company or battery which shall take part in the active militia from the members. The motion was carried unanimously.

A letter was read from Gov Guild, thanking the company for the kind expression of regard at its late anniversary. A committee was also appointed to consider a memorial to the first commander, Capt Kayne, and report at the next meeting.

Capt Davis made the following appointments: Col Sidney M. Hedges, chief of staff; Capt Harry H. Hartung, surgeon; Capt Alfred E. Smith, Gustav F. Walker, Lieut Charles R. Hunt and Capt Fred E. Jones, assistant surgeons; Capt Edwin R. Frost, commander of the G. A. R. company; Capt Joshua M. Cushing, commander of the veteran company; Lieut J. J. Feeley, judge advocate; Maj George F. Feeley, sergeant major; Capt J. Henry Quinby, quartermaster sergeant; Sergt Henry F. Wade, commissary sergeant; Sergt Lovell, paymaster sergeant; Arthur F. Ketchum, hospital steward; Sergt Boardman J. Parker and Sergt Augustus Andrews, color sergeants; Sergt W. Abbott and Capt J. G. Warner, flankers to the commander; Sergt George H. W. Bates, band guide; Capt H. Bradford Lewis, orderly to the commander.

The question of providing a suitable reception and entertainment for the Richmond Blues on their visit to Boston on Labor day was left with the commissioned officers. The Blues will arrive in Boston on Monday, Sept 7, and remain over until Tuesday evening, when they will take train for New Haven.



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## VISITORS TO GET ROYAL WELCOME



CAPT. JAMES A. DAVIS.

ADJT. WM. H. OAKES.

The man on the right is Capt. James A. Davis, of Boston, in command of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of Massachusetts, which has made all but final arrangements to hold its annual fall field day in Detroit, beginning on the first Tuesday in October. The other is Adjutant William H. Oakes, also of Boston. In many ways it will be the most notable gathering in Detroit this year, and members of the city's military and Masonic organizations especially intend to go the limit to give the visitors a royal welcome.

## BOSTON'S BON-TON IS TO COME HERE

Detroit Will Entertain Ancient  
and Honorable Artillery Com-  
pany of Massachusetts.

OLDEST ORGANIZATION OF  
KIND KNOWN IN AMERICA

Field Day in This City Will  
Mark an Epoch in History  
of Great Organization.

In all of Detroit's experience as a convention city, it will not have played the host to a more distinguished assemblage of men than that which will come here on the first Tuesday in October, when, if the plans formed yesterday are carried out, The Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of Massachusetts will hold its annual fall field day in this city, an event that has become famous on two continents.

The organization is the oldest and most celebrated military body in America, having been formed in Boston in 1630, 150 years before the War of the Revolution, and includes the descendants of the most distinguished families of the most distinguished times, whose names are indelibly woven into the history of the colonies and of the nation.

The company visited London in 1896, and was royally entertained by King Edward, who was then the prince of Wales; his brother, the duke of Cornwall, the duke of York, who is the present prince of Wales, and other members of the reigning family. The "Ancients" military organization of being the only der arma, visit Windsor Castle un- granted by a special act of parliament, its reception having been the more notable as there was all famous den to England. Cleveland's visit with the Venezuelan affair. The Artillery company of the Honorable other years the company has held its field day in various cities of the east, and, since the rebellion, has often gone to the southern cities to promote the feeling of reconciliation that it has with north.

### Committee in Detroit.

Yesterday a committee of the officers of the company, sent out to find the most desirable place for the field day this year, visited Detroit by invitation of Frank T. Lodge, who has several times been the guest of the members in Boston. The committee comprised Capt. James A. Davis, Adjutant William H. Oakes and Chief of Staff Col. Sidney M. Hedges. They were driven in automobiles around the island and entertained at all of the clubs, while, in the evening, they gave a little spread of their own at the Hotel Pontchartrain, at which Mayor Thompson, Major Walter Barlow, Frank T. Lodge, Thomas McGraw, Thomas Wadsworth, Gen. W. S. Green, George H. Woolley, David E. Heineman and E. R. Schreiter were the guests.

Mayor Thompson assured them that if they would come here in October they would be given the most gorgeous welcome the city knows how to put up, and that they would not only receive the keys of the city, but that he would make Capt. Davis mayor and let him run the whole town for the two or three or four days of the company's stay.

Ald. Heineman referred to the fact that the history of Detroit is almost as old as the history of New England, that it was the last spot within the present lines of the United States that the British surrendered, and that it is, therefore, very fitting that the field day should be held here.

Col. Hedges replied that they would come if the members would listen to the advice of the committee, and added that its advice had never yet been turned down.

The company has about 600 members, and about 300 usually attend these fall field days. Each member is entitled to wear the uniform of the ancestor on whose existence he may base his right to membership in the company, and the result is an aggregation of colonial regalia that is unique, ranging from the uniform of Gen. Washington down to that of the private Indian fighter of the seventeenth century. Most of the members are wealthy, many of them belonging to the wealthiest families of Boston, and all of them belonging to the New England aristocracy. The only honorary members the company ever had are King Edward, ex-President Arthur and ex-Secretary of the Navy John D. Long.

Originally, the company was organized as a school for officers, and it sent no less than 144 into the revolutionary war to fight for liberty, and about an equal number into the rebellion to fight for the union. It also did a splendid work in both wars in caring for the sick and wounded and furnishing supplies. Now its only mission is to promote patriotism in the land, and it has done along in the

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# KING ED'S BOSTON MILITARY CO. IS COMING

ANCIENT AND HONORABLE ARTILLERY COMPANY, NOTED ORGANIZATION, TO VISIT DETROIT IN OCTOBER.

Oldest and most celebrated of all military organizations on the American continent is the Ancient and Honorable Artillery company of Boston, which has practically decided to hold its annual fall field day in Detroit the first Tuesday in October. Formed in 1636, it received a charter in 1638 and has thus preserved an unbroken existence for 270 years, during which time its membership has included the greatest men of the New England metropolis.

A committee consisting of Capt. James A. Davis, Adjutant William H. Oakes and Chief of Staff Sidney M. Hedges visited Detroit Wednesday to gather information regarding the arrangements which might be made. The hearty welcome they received moved them to report favorably as to coming here.

But once has the Ancient and Honorable Artillery gone so far from Boston for its fall field day. That was in 1896 when the Ancients went to London to visit the Honorable Artillery company of that city, the parent organization. They were received with the greatest honors ever accorded a foreign military company in England, Queen Victoria reviewing them at Windsor, King Edward, then Prince of Wales, entertaining Marlborough House, and other festivities being held which made every day of their stay notable.

An international significance was added to the visit from the fact that President Cleveland had just issued his Venezuelan message and the resultant irritation was somewhat allayed by the interchange of courtesies.

The Honorable Artillery of London came to Boston in 1903 and were taken to New York, Washington, Niagara Falls and Montreal by special trains and boats as guest of the Boston company.

A peculiarity of the company is that its members are not garbed alike. Any member who has had previous military service may wear the uniform of rank to which he is entitled. A private in the Ancients may wear the uniform of a brigadier general or a Rough Rider, if it happens that he has had military service entitling him to the honor. The company's uniform for those who have had no previous military experience is a picturesque one of colonial style.

Diversity of uniform is due to the fact that the company was originally a training corps for officers of the militia companies. It furnished 144 officers in the revolution and even more in the civil war. Since that conflict, its mission had been largely one of patriotism, its annual visits to various cities being made occasions of historical commemoration.

The company now has about 600 members, divided into six companies of infantry and as many of artillery. Its officers are chosen at a drum-head election on Boston Common and can hold office for but one year, going back to the ranks. Its headquarters are in Faneuil hall, where a museum is maintained of its relics. The members are chosen from the aristocracy of Boston and its environs and are mostly wealthy men.

King Edward is one of the three honorary members that the company has chosen in its long life.

Assurances were given the committee on Wednesday by Lieut.-Col. Barlow that all the military organizations of Detroit will turn out as an escort to the visitors. After being entertained at various clubs and touring the city in an automobile the committee of Ancients gave a dinner themselves in the Pontchartrain, at which the speakers were Mayor Thompson, Ald. Heineman, Thomas McGraw, Thomas Wadsworth, Gen. W. S. Green, E. R. Schreiter, Frank T. Lodge, Walter Barlow and George H. Woolley.

The mayor offered to make Capt. Davis mayor for the time of the company's stay.



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## Richmond Blues, Ancients' Guests, Make a Big Hit in Boston Town



Richmond Blues, crack military organization, landing in Boston and being reviewed by the Ancients, their hosts

Marching with a snap and precision, the Richmond Blues, the crack organization from Virginia, composed of the scions of the finest Southern families, tramped right into the heart of the Bostonians.

Ever since the Ancient and Honorable Artillery company of Massachusetts went South in '35 and was so royally entertained by the Richmond Light Infantry Battalion, the Ancients have been yearning to repay the debt of pleasure, and yesterday that opportunity was realized when the crack battalion of Southerners arrived on the boat from Norfolk.

The Ancients were on hand bright and early. Major E. W. Bowles, who is in command of the crack battalion, after receiving the salutes of Captain Davis, formed his men in column of fours and with the detail of Ancients as escort, marched to the Ancients' barracks at Faneuil Hall.

The march of the cadets through the streets, crowded with people out to see the demonstration of labor, won applause everywhere they went. Their uniforms of blue, the trousers with a broad white stripe, recalled the First Corps Cadets.

At the barracks of the Ancients a breakfast was served. The repast was entirely informal.

In the afternoon the officers of the Blues were taken in autos on a trip to Concord and Lexington, to see the historical spots in that district. On the way back they were entertained at Captain Davis' house in Lexington.

In command of the battalion of Blues is Major Bowles. His staff are Captain F. Bright, Adjutant J. MaSurlieu and Lieutenant R. Glazebrook. In command of A Company is First Lieutenant Thomas McDowell. Drewry Bowles is the junior lieutenant.

Captain D. W. Leary, Lieutenant H. C. Boscher and Lieutenant A. Turner are the officers of B Company, and those of C Company are Captain J. R. Tucker and Lieutenant John Armistead.

While the officers were speeding through the suburbs in the automobiles the privates of both companies, paired off, an Ancient to a Blue, saw the sights of the city. Some went to Nantasket and others took in the beach at Revere.

In the evening a dinner at the Parker House was tendered to the officers of the Blues, of the Ancients and of the Lancers by Lieutenant-Governor Draper. He was unable to attend in person, but was represented by Adjutant-General Brigham, Colonel Capelle and Majors Ira Vaughn and Philip S. Sears.

The Lancers also made preparations for the entertainment of some of their friends in the Blues at their armory on Bulfinch street last night.

One of the most interesting figures of the company of visitors is that of Colonel J. H. Lynch, a veteran of nearly every war since the rebellion, foreign and domestic. About his neck he wears the decoration for unexampled bravery and his breast was littered with medals. In the rebellion he fought on the side of the Southerners and lost his right

eye. At home and abroad he has been at his trade of fighting ever since he could walk, and he is the dearest comrade of the Blues. For generations his family has been connected with the Blues, and he is accepted as a tradition.

This morning the Blues will be the guests of Captain Davis at the B. A. A.

At 2 p. m. they will leave Boston for Hartford, Conn., where they will be entertained by the local military organizations. After a day there they will proceed to New Haven. Their last visiting place will be Providence, R. I., whence they will return by boat to Norfolk.

The Richmond Blues last visited Boston officially in 1875.

*Boston Post, Sept 7-1908*

## ANCIENTS TO ACT AS HOSTS

The crack battalion of Richmond Blues, the pride of Norfolk, Va., will lay siege to Boston today and tomorrow.

Ever since the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company went South, in '35, and was so royally entertained by the Richmond Blues, the Ancients have been yearning for an opportunity to reciprocate.

The battalion, which corresponds to our First Corps Cadets, will arrive this morning by boat and be escorted from the wharf to Faneuil Hall by their hosts, the Ancients.

An al fresco luncheon will be served in Faneuil Hall at noon, and at 1 o'clock the line of march will be resumed to the South Armory, on Irvington street, where the Blues will be quartered.

Automobiles will be on hand at 2 o'clock for a ride through Lexington and Concord, with a stop at the house of Captain Davis of the Ancients in Lexington. In the evening Adjutant-General Brigham will be the host at a dinner in the Parker House to the officers of the Blues, the Ancients and the Lancers.

Tomorrow Captain Davis will give a dinner to the visiting officers. At 2 p. m. the Blues will leave for Hartford, Conn. The Blues last visited Boston in 1875.

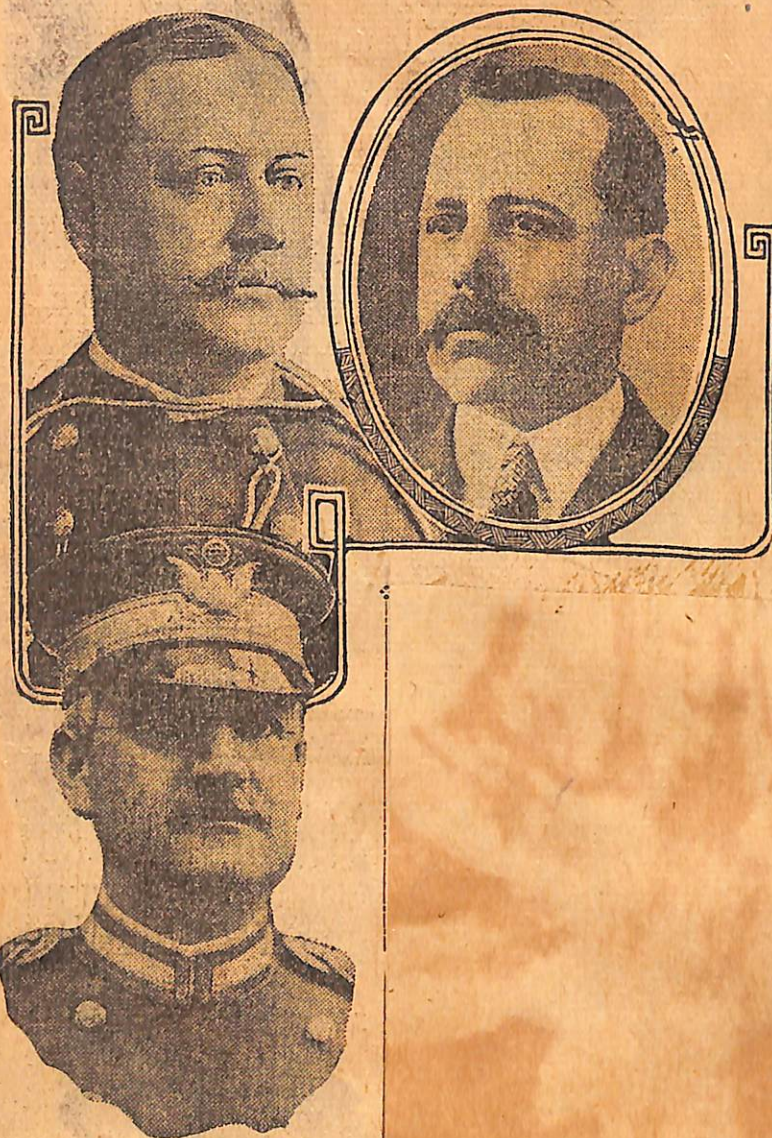


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### THREE OF COMMITTEE OF ANCIENTS TO ENTERTAIN THE RICHMOND BLUES

Capt. J. A. Davis.

Adj. Wm. H. Oakes.



First Lieut. John D. Nichols.

## RICHMOND BLUES TO BE HERE TODAY

Famous Virginian Military Organization to Be Guest of Ancients.  
Was Here Last in 1875.  
Returning Ancients' Visit.

Mindful of the extreme hospitality extended to them when they went down to the capital of Virginia in 1895, the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of Boston have made every possible preparation to give the Richmond Light Infantry Blues the time of their lives today and tomorrow, when the members of this crack command are to be the guests of the famous Boston organization.

There will be two parades, so the people of Boston will have a chance to see Blues, 250 strong, in marching array, with their hosts. A luncheon, dinner and breakfast enter into the festivities and indicate that the visitors will not be suffered to go anywhere near hungry during their stay. An automobile excursion will afford the Virginians opportunity to see Boston and its beautiful suburbs at close range.

The Blues have been in Boston before, in 1875, on the occasion of the Bunker Hill Centennial, but that was so long ago that it only adds zest to the greeting they will receive on their arrival today. Under the command of Maj. E. W. Bowles, the Blues are making an extended trip to New England, visiting besides Boston, the cities of Providence, Hartford and New Haven. The Ancient and Honorables will report at their armory this morning at 8.30 o'clock and form on South Market street at 9.15 for the march to the railroad station to meet their guests. Lieut. Charles S. Darnell is officer of the day. The banquet detail is in charge of Sergt. George H. W. Bates. The Grand Army Veteran Company, consisting of members who served in the War of the Rebellion, will parade with the command.

*Boston Journal, Sept 7th*

## RICHMOND BLUES WELCOMED TO HUB

Crack Military Organization of the  
South Royally Entertained by  
Ancients, Lancers and State  
Military Officials.

Boston opened wide its arms to the Richmond Blues yesterday. Mayor Hibbard gave the freedom of the city in formal announcement at Faneuil Hall in the morning. The Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company, the Lancers and the military officials of the State did the rest. And the 142 members of the crack military companies of Richmond, Va., capitulated to the hospitality and invited the Ancients to again visit Richmond in their pilgrimage of the coming year.

From their landing at the Norfolk pier yesterday morning, the Richmond Blues tasted of the fruits of their victorious visit to Boston. The officers were successively the guests of the Ancients, the Lancers and the State officials, and the festivities so auspiciously begun at Faneuil Hall armory will continue until 2 o'clock this afternoon, when the return march will be made, which will include a visit to New Haven, Conn. will include, where the three companies of Blues will embark for Norfolk of

### Escorted by Ancients.

With an escort of Ancients, the Blues marched from Faneuil Hall to the South Armory on Irvington street, at noon yesterday. With the officers at their head was Maj. James L. Lyons, formerly of the Confederate army. The visiting Blues are in command of Maj. E. W. Bowles. His staff includes Capt. F. Bright, and Lieuts. J. LeMasurier and B. Glazebrook.

The halt at the South Armory was brief. Waiting automobiles whirled the officers away for visits to Lexington and Concord, and the men were broken into squads and in the care of members of the Ancients made trips to the seashore resorts, where the afternoon was spent. "We don't know where we're going, but we're on our way," was the battle cry as the squads were hastily taken in tow by their hosts, and piloted on their sightseeing trips.

### Guests at Banquet.

On their return the officers of the Blues, the Ancients and the Lancers were the guests of the State officials at a State banquet, held at the Parker House. In the absence of acting Governor Draper, Maj. Gen. William C. Brigham, of the governor's staff, acted as host, and warmly welcomed the Blues to Massachusetts. Maj. Bowles, of the Blues, responded. Afterward the officers were the guests of the Lancers. This morning Capt. J. A. Davis, of the Ancients, will entertain the visiting officers at breakfast at the Hotel Lenox and Maj. Gen. Brigham will preside over a luncheon at the Parker House at noon.

The Richmond Blues, in the march through the city streets, upheld the reputation which had preceded them of being the best drilled infantry body of the South. Their manoeuvres were remarkably well executed and were applauded continuously on the line of



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## BUSY DAY FOR THE BLUES

Officers Entertained at Breakfast—Men Are Kept Busy by the Ancients During Last Hours Here

At one o'clock this afternoon the Richmond Blues of Virginia, in command of Major E. W. Bowles, closed their brief visit as guests of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company, with a parade from the South Armory to the South Station, accompanied by Captain James A. Davis commander of the Ancients, Major H. G. Jordan, past commander and several other of the staff officers. The Blues wore their picturesque uniform of dark blue cloth with profuse white trimmings, French cap, with massive white plumes, and carried carbines. With their band—the Richmond Blues Cornet and Reed Band of thirty pieces—the corps marched from the armory down the avenue to Boylston street, thence to Tremont street, to Winter and Summer streets, to the station. The streets were lined with spectators who vigorously applauded the splendid marching of the Virginians. Upon the staff of the commander were the commander of the Ancients and five of his junior officers. Upon arrival at the station the corps marched directly to the track upon which the train for Hartford stood and, without ceremony, the ranks broke and the men boarded the cars. A crowd was drawn thither by the scene, including many members of the Ancients in citizen's dress, who gave the visitors a hearty send-off. It was in 1895 that the Boston company went to Richmond, where it had a most delightful reception and entertainment by the local militia, and it was a privilege for the corps to repay that debt of pleasure entertaining the Blues upon their return visit to this city.

From this morning every moment of the visitors' time was kept occupied until the departure. The Blues were quartered at night's stay here.

Reveille was sounded and every man responded at roll call, and, at breakfast, which was served near the armory, while the officers were entertained by Captain Davis at the Hotel Lenox. The forenoon was passed in making short excursions round the city and suburbs, either by motor car or trolley, the Ancients permitting none of the visitors to do his sightseeing without escort.

The Richmond Blues arrived here yesterday morning, coming by boat from Norfolk, and were met at Battery Wharf by the Ancients in command of Captain James A. Davis. The staff of the Ancients was in command of Colonel S. M. Hedges. Among the number were Colonel E. M. Ferris, Captain J. Stearns Cushing, Captain Thomas J. Olys, Colonel E. M. Bailey, Charles R. Hunt and Lieutenant Alfred C. Smith.

The visiting body is officered as follows: Major E. W. Bowles, commanding; Lieutenant Le Maseura, adjutant; Lieutenant T. R. Glazebrook, quartermaster; Captain J. H. Bright, surgeon. The company commanders are: Company A, First Lieutenant, T. B. MacDowell; Company B, Captain J. R. Leary; Company C, Captain J. R. Tucker. Accompanying the battalion were Colonel James Lyons, a Confederate veteran, and Captain Cunningham, city collector of Richmond.

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## WARM WELCOME TO VIRGINIANS

Richmond Blues Are  
Guests in Boston.

Taken in Charge by Ancients  
and National Lancers.

Banquet to Visitors by  
Adgt Gen Brigham.

The Richmond Blues, officially designated as the 1st light infantry, Virginia national guard, paid their long anticipated visit to Boston yesterday and were given a cordial welcome. The Blues are the second oldest military organization in the country, the Ancient and Honorable artillery company of this city being the oldest.

The Blues came by steamer and were met at Battery wharf by delegations from the Ancient and Honorable artillery company under command of Capt James A. Davis and from the National Lancers under command of Capt Fred R. Robinson.

Lines were formed on the wharf and headed by a band the party marched to the armory of the Ancient and Honorable artillery company at Faneuil hall, where the visitors were received by many of the present and past officers of the organization. Arms were stacked in the upper hall.

Lunch was served in the lower hall. Adgt Gen William H. Brigham in behalf of the state welcomed the Blues in a brief speech, and was followed by Capt Davis, who said that nothing would be spared to make the visit enjoyable.

After a couple of hours spent at the armory line was reformed and headed by the band of the regiment the visitors marched to the South armory on Irvington st. Along the line of route they were cordially greeted.

At the South armory ample preparations had been made for the organization to tent for its "one night stand." Shortly after noon members of the Ancients called at the armory with automobiles and took the visitors on a sight-seeing trip to Lexington and Concord, returning by way of the Newtons and Brookline.

At Lexington the officers of the visiting organization were royally entertained at the residence of Capt Davis, where luncheon was served to some 200.

In the evening the officers of the visiting company were the guests of Adgt Gen Brigham in behalf of the state at a banquet at the Parker house.

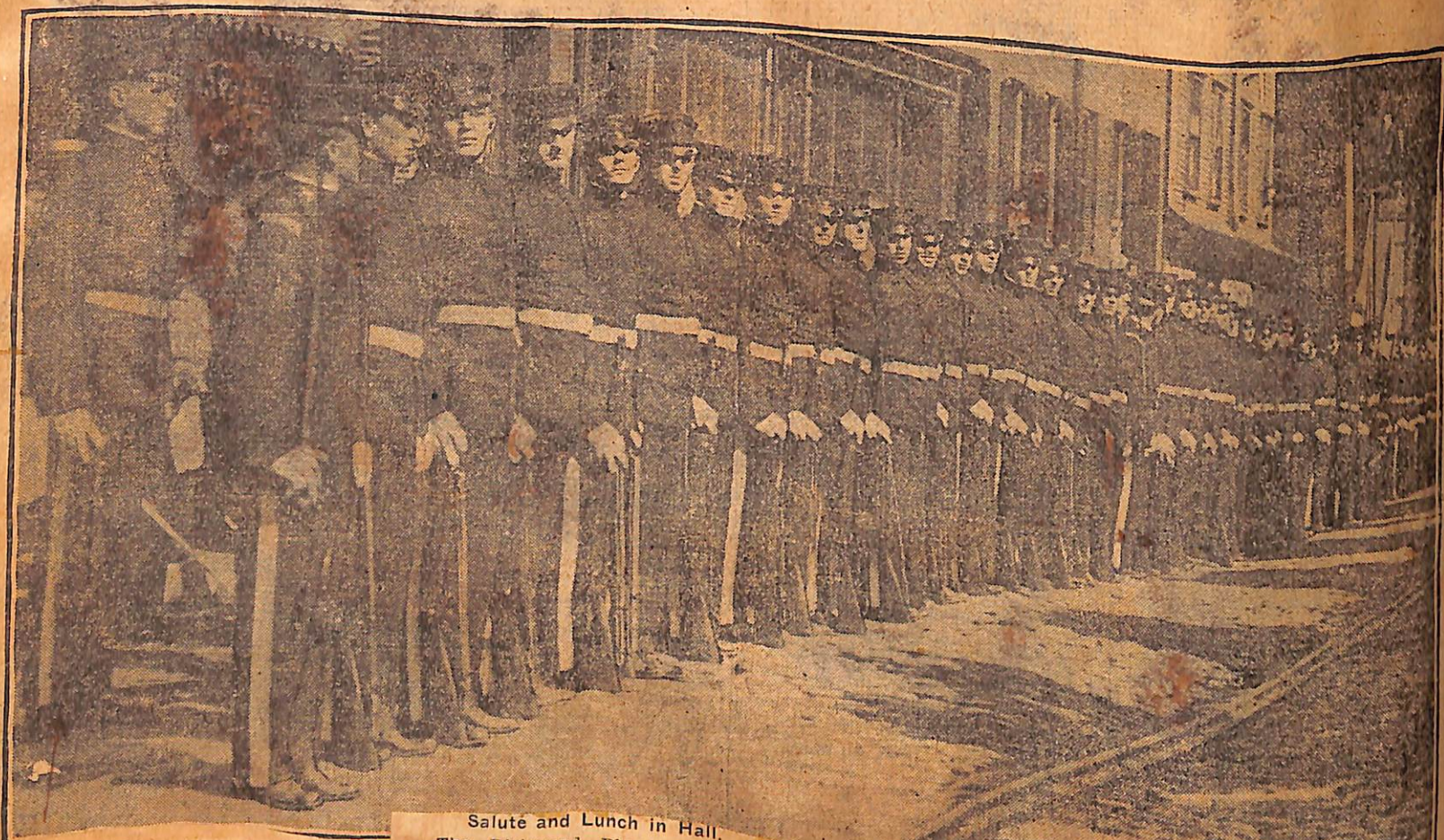
This morning the Blues will leave for Hartford, where they will be the guests of the Governor's Foot Guards.



Boston Herald, Sept. 7/1908.

# RICHMOND BLUES, GUESTS OF ANCIENTS, IN HUB STREETS

The Second Oldest Military Company in the United States Paid Its Second Visit to Boston Yesterday. Eyes Right," After Embarking at the Wharf. The Command Stands at "Order Arms.



## ANCIENTS' ALLIES JOIN THEM IN FRAY

Richmond Blues Lend Prompt  
Aid in Assault Upon the  
Common Foe.

NO CHEEK BLANCHED, NO  
THROAT CLOSED IN ACTION

Visitors from Virginia Begin  
Here a Series of Forays  
Upon the North.

The Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company yesterday extended a hearty welcome to the second oldest military company in the United States, the Richmond Light Infantry Blue Battalion, founded in 1793, and showed to the doughty young warriors of the Old Dominion that their more seasoned brothers of the North are still good for a good many future campaigns.

The Ancients, as is their custom, opened the magnum of their hospitality wide and their guests, the soldier boys of the South, trained from early manhood in the fray, joyously imbibed the spirit of the affair.

It has been many years since they fought the common fight together and toppled over the guns of the common enemy; once in 1875, when the 100th anniversary of the battle of Bunker Hill was properly celebrated, and again in 1896, when the Ancients invaded the no-arid wastes of Virginia, close to the corn belt of North Carolina. The memories of both were mingled in the actualities of yesterday. The loss was inconsequential and the wounded were cared for by their comrades.

### Salute and Lunch in Hall.

The Richmond Blues arrived in Boston at 9:30 o'clock in the battleship "Nantucket," which had been chartered for the occasion because of its watertight compartments, and were met by the seasoned Ancients and their gallant friends, the Lancers, and escorted to Faneuil Hall, where the visitors were given a salute from the battery of eight-inch rapid-fire demijohns, as is the custom of the renowned hosts. The spirit of battle pervaded all, and the charge was one never to be forgotten by those who participated in it. The Ancients, spurred on by the memories of their visit to Virginia in 1895, loaded and reloaded the guns, and the order to fire was given again and again as the Salem Cadet band, which has led on many a similarly victorious field, played "Coming Through the Rye."

Immediately following the salute the hosts served to their guests one of the finest lunches ever drunk in Boston. The tables were set in the main hall and a menu had been prepared that was worthy of the epicurean instincts of men trained as are the Ancients. This menu consisted of "stewed" oysters, "pickled" herring, "soused" mackerel, "buns," "peach" pudding and other delicacies that usually grace the board of Massachusetts' most distinguished warriors.

### Expressions of Esteem.

Following the feast came a speech of welcome by Adjt.-Gen. William H. Brigham of the state, who stated that the floodgates of the Ancients' hospitality were opened to their southern friends. Maj. E. W. Bowles of the visitors ably responded and said that he fully appreciated the spirit of the occasion and said he fully believed it was 99 proof and of excellent body and flavor.

After these expressions of good will had been scaled and Ancients and Blues had sworn undying allegiance to a common cause, the companies formed in the street and, headed by the band, marched to the Irvington street armory, which was the headquarters of the visitors. Here again the company's salute was fired in honor of the guests, and they were escorted to their hotel, the Lenox.

After dinner the officers of the Blues were the guests of the officers of the Ancients, and were taken in armor-plated automobiles to the battlefields of Lexington, Concord and Bunker Hill and shown the glories of war as exemplified by the forbears of their hosts.

The men of the Boston line at the same time entertained the men of the line from the Old Dominion, breaking up into skirmishing parties that attacked the forts of the enemy who ever they saw a sign out. Well, everywhere they carried every in.

### Farewell Skirmishes.

When night came the officers were the guests of the state at the Parker House, where Gen. Brigham presided in the absence of Lieut.-Gov. Draper. Here the magnum battery fired a salute that was continuous, but the seasoned veterans never quailed and the white-aproned ammunition men were kept busy till a late hour opening fresh cases of "grape" for their onslaught.

Today the final attack will be made, the right of line for a breakfast skirmish, and Gen. Brigham will lead a similar affair later at the Parker House.

The Blues at 2 o'clock today will go direct to Hartford, Ct., where they will be entertained by the Putnam Phalanx. From there they will go to New Haven to be the guests of the Governor's Foot Guard, all brothers in the same convivial army. They will then go to Providence, where they will chartered steamer on the Norfolk and Richmond, leaving for the Blues justly claim to be the oldest and oldest military organization in the country, as their organization was founded in 1793, being antedated by the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company, founded in 1635. The Richmond Blues Battalion is a member of the national guard of Virginia, and its members have seen active service in the civil and the Spanish wars.

### Roster of the Blues.

The officers of the Richmond Blues, of which there are three companies, all of which have come here, are: Major, E. W. Bowles; chief of staff, Adjt. Joseph Le Masurier; battalion quartermaster, Lieut. Richard Glazebrook; surgeon, Capt. J. Fuller Bright; commissioned officers, Sergt. Maj. John Grubbs, Quartermaster, Capt. Thomas McDowell; company A, Lieut. D. W. Bowles, acting A. 1st Lieut. David Leary, 1st Lieut. Carl E. Capt. 2d Lieut. Argyle Turner, 2d Lieut. Capt. J. R. Tucker, 2d Lieut. Armistead, acting first lieutenant, J. C. sergeants, W. E. Brezcale, Lieut. Banks; chief musician, and J. Lewis; principal musician, Albert Lally; drum major, Joseph Vonan.



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## RICHMOND BLUES TAKE LEAVE OF BOSTON

Ancients Escort Them to the  
South Station, and Amid  
Cheers They Depart on  
Special Train for Hartford.

### GUESTS TONIGHT OF THE PUTNAM PHALANX

With cheer after cheer from fully 1000 people and a band playing martial airs, the Richmond Blues took their leave of Boston and the hospitality of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company at South station at 2:15 o'clock this afternoon, when they left on a special train for Hartford. They will be the guests tonight of the Putnam Phalanx, and there will be a large dinner and reception in their honor.

The farewell of the Blues consisted of a march from Irvington street, opposite South armory, where a line was formed at 1 P. M. to South station. The Blues wore their dress uniforms of blue, patterned after the garb of the Swiss guard of Marie Antoinette. Their appearance was very picturesque. The blue uniforms were set off with white double-breasted vests and high hats with plumes. The line moved down Huntington avenue to Boylston street, to Tremont, to Winter, to Summer and to South station.

An honorary escort of the Ancients consisted of Capt. James A. Davis, Capt. John B. Nichols, Capt. T. J. Olys, who was commander of the Ancients in 1895, when the company visited Richmond as the guests of the Blues.; Col. William Oakes and Lieut. Irving Vose.

A complimentary breakfast to the officers of the Richmond Blues and the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company was given at the Hotel Lenox today by Capt. James A. Davis, commander of the Ancients. The guests present included Adjt.-Gen. William H. Brigham, and the other chief place was occupied by the commander of the Blues, Maj. E. W. Bowles. Among the speakers were Capt. Davis, who presided, Adjt.-Gen. William H. Brigham, Capt. Olys and Judge Feeley of the Ancients and Maj. Bowles, Capt. Cunningham and Capt. Tucker of the Blues.

From Hartford the Blues go to New Haven to be the guests of the Governor's convivial army, all brothers in the same Providence, leaving for Norfolk and Richmond on the specially chartered steamer Kershaw.

## BLUES TAKE BOSTON WITHOUT A SHOT

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Crack Richmond Command  
Given Royal Welcome  
to Historic City.

"NO GATES OR KEYS;  
YOU ARE AT HOME"

These the Cordial Words Which  
Make the Southern Soldiers  
Feel at Home—Shown Every  
Attention—Most of the  
Members Sick on  
the Boat.

BY A. R. W. MACKRETH.

**B**OSTON, MASS., September 7.—Beneath a large portrait of all the signers of the Declaration of Independence hung in the main auditorium of Faneuil Hall, Mayor Hibbard, Major Davis, commander of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery, and the Adjutant-General of the State militia, welcomed the Richmond Light Infantry Blues at 11 o'clock this morning.

Surrounded on all sides by portraits of the commanders of an organization that is as old as the United States itself, with the gold and crimson of the local command mingled with the dark blue of the visiting soldiers, and with stirring strains coming continually from one of the finest bands in New England, the scene was one that surpasses description. Boston outdid herself, rivaling in her reception of the visitors, even the far-famed hospitality of Virginia.

### The City Is Theirs.

Said Mayor Hibbard: "Boston has no gates or keys; you are at home. Make the most of it," and the Virginians took him at his word. They were wined and dined in the most lavish style, and the Ancient Artillerymen seemed to give themselves over to the pure delight of serving their Southern guests. From the cordiality of the reception one would never have thought that these men had met the fathers of the Blues at Manassas, at Gettysburg and at Appomattox.

After a prodigious outlay of lunch there were more speeches, responded to in able and eloquent style by Major Bowles, Captain Tucker and Captain Cunningham.

### Many Were Made Sick.

After a voyage in which three-fourths of the Blues succumbed to seasickness, the command arrived in Boston harbor at 7 o'clock this morning, and were met at the wharf by the Ancient Artillery three hours later. The line of march extended about three miles to Faneuil Hall, where the reception was held. The whole city turned out to see the Blues, and at the sounds of "Dixie" there was one long tumult of applause ringing through every street.

After lunch the Blues were escorted to South Armory for quarters. Several Virginians were met here, among them being Dr. J. Blair Spencer, of Williamsburg, who was most kind in his attention to the visitors. In the afternoon and at night they spent the time seeing the sights or going to the theatres. The officers were dined by their comrades in the Ancient Artillery.

To end the story in short and simple phrase, one might say that the Blues captured Boston without firing a single shot, and captivated the hearts of all its people.

To-morrow they go to Hartford.







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Major Brown and Officers of Second Company, Governor's Foot Guard, Who Will Give a Demonstration of True Northern Hospitality To-day and To-morrow.

## BLUES AND FOOT GUARD DAZZLE

Brilliant Scenes at Parade and  
Military Ball.

Yesterday's festivities for the Richmond Blues came to an end early this morning, as one member put it, for it was long after midnight that the music of the last dance at the armory sounded and the Blues tired out with a program which carried them without a break from 9 in the morning to past midnight, went at once to the Tontine, only to be up bright and early this morning once more.

The street parade by the members of the two companies, and the exhibition drill on the green were complimented by everyone who saw them, but it wasn't until the two companies were placed on their mettle later in the evening before their invited guests at the armory that the "drilling as was scrutiny of two members of the expert Guard of New York, Colonel Tracy B. Warren of Bridgeport and Lieutenant De Walter. It was planned to have the drill before the dancing, but owing to the lateness of the proceedings down at the Shoreham, it wasn't until after 9 o'clock that the first command of 16 men marched out from the company drill room and the exhibition of the day was on. Then came the governor and his staff and within five minutes the floor was filled with brilliant uniforms. Eight, 16 and finally 32 abreast they marched, and the applause was incessant. The march continued for nearly half an hour without a break or a hitch of any kind. Then the dancing commenced once more to last until long after midnight.

"What is it, circus day?" asked a stranger in town as he arrived at a corner of Church and Chapel streets yesterday afternoon and saw the thousands who were already waiting for the parade. "You stand here and you'll see the best circus parade and you'll see in your life. They're about due here now."

Just then down the street came the sound of the music of the Foot Guard band. Swinging along behind them came the members of the local company and the visitor's eyes began to bulge. With their big shakos, their buff colored trousers and leggings and their red coats, with white stripes across their chests, the Foot Guard looked the part of hosts, but a bigger surprise was to come. The parade halted in front of the Tontine and soon the tall white plumes on the helmets of the Blues began to be seen above the heads of the crowd. Then they formed into line and if the Foot Guard uniforms are striking, it must be admitted that the uniforms of the visiting company are every bit as unique.

The body of the uniform is of dark blue, on the front of the jacket was a great white shield shaped insert. The helmets were of the tall variety irreverently called by the small boys "coal scuttles" and on each helmet was a tall white plume.

Then the parade started and the visitors showed just how well they could march. They passed around the green on their way to be escorted and entered the space roped off for them on the northern end. The progress of the march was everywhere marked by hearty applause and handclapping. Governor Woodruff came in for a good deal of applause, as did the police.

but it was to the visitors that the majority of the praise went. It was the first chance the public at large had to show just how they regarded this visit, or to express their friendship for the visitors from the south.

And they did their part well; Major Bowles at the head of his company, the big fellow who carried the colors, all the officers and then last of all the privates. Every one came in for the greeting.

"Just look at those fellows march," said one man as with springy stride, perfectly aligned and with step evenly timed, the Blues swept by. "They're Southerners alright, alright, but you would think after being through the mill at Boston and at Hartford they would show some signs of weariness. Can you see any? No, you can't, and let me also tell you that these young fellows show that they come from the F. F. V.'s."

It was the same way during the exhibition drill and the applause increased even more as the Blues marched back to the Tontine to put on their fatigue uniforms.

Five special cars were waiting to take them, and their hosts to the Shoreham and 350 sat down to the banquet. There were songs and speeches, informal and otherwise, but the hit of the evening was made early in the dinner when the band started "Dixie." Then the Blues showed that they were real, true, dyed-in-the-wool Southerners, for no sooner had the first bar been played than every man was on his feet. "Rebel yells" brought the Foot Guard right up standing and for a full minute pandemonium was let loose. Then everybody quieted down for the rest of the dinner and listened to the speeches which came after. Governor Woodruff and Mayor Martin started the speechmaking, but the applause was loudest when Major Bowles rose to his feet to respond to a toast, "The Richmond Blues."

He said in part:  
"The Southerners have always been proud of being called hospitable, but I am sure we never really knew what it meant until we received the magnificent welcome last night. The lights on your beautiful green and the illuminations and decorations all along the streets, though it was after midnight, together with the crowds of people, cheered us mightily."

"The clock which the Foot Guard presented us a year ago is the handsomest one in Richmond and has done a great deal to strengthen the feeling of kinship between the Foot Guard and the Blues. We hope you will soon come to Virginia, and when you come again do not come for a call, but for a visit. We thank you for this right royal welcome."

After the singing of "Auld Lang Syne," the members of the two companies were taken by special cars to the Second Regiment armory for the reception.

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# HUNDREDS STAYED UP TO WELCOME BLUES TO CITY

Southerners Surprised at Heart-  
iness of Last Night's Reception.

As one member of the Richmond Blues put it early this morning, "We were decimated in Boston, shot to pieces in Hartford, and came down here to New Haven to have our uniforms burned up. We expect to take the boat Friday if we survive, but the going's very, very hard. But say, you fellows down here have put things on just right. We expected to have a hearty reception here, but we didn't think that half the town was going to stay up till 1 o'clock to see us come in, burn red fire along the curb and then cheer us as we went into the Tontine for the 23rd light lunch we've had since we left the south. Oh, yes, our band. They got to Boston all right, but that's the last we've seen of them. At Hartford yesterday morning three members showed up—two trombones and a bass horn, but there was a cracking good band up there at Hartford yesterday."

The reception to the Blues began early yesterday afternoon when the committee delegated to escort them here from Hartford gathered congenially in the grill room of the Garde in Hartford. The Blues were out at the Connecticut fair, where they created a furore when they marched down the home stretch escorted by the First company of the Governor's Foot Guard and a band who played "Dixie" until they were completely exhausted. Then they came in town, wearing "Merry Widow" hats purchased at the fair grounds, and five hours later arrived at the union station here, where there were about 5,000 citizens lining the curbs all the way up Meadow street to welcome them. There was red fire all along the line, as they swung into Church street, escorted by the local company and made their way toward the Tontine. Just as they came onto the green the lights were switched on, and although it was then 1 o'clock in the morning, the crowd which had gathered were sufficient in number to give a good hearty cheer. The Tontine was then stormed, and everyone descended to the basement, where a light lunch was served. On each of the tables was a card of welcome from the local lodge of Elks. One of the visitors got hold of a telephone directory and on the bottom of the page saw the mystic legend, "When in trouble call 25." Now it happens that the local lodge of Elks is "No. 25," so when the visitor asked how it was that the Elks had their lodge number on every other page of the directory, it took at least 10 members to explain that "25" was what they call in Richmond "Trouble."

The New York Sun today says editorially and irreverently:  
"Are the Richmond Blues home again? They have made a series of deadly marches unequalled in the history of legs and canteens. They have faced in order and never faltered before these world renowned heroes: the Ancient and Honorable Artillery company of Boston, the Putnam Phalanx of Hartford and the Governor's Foot Guard of New Haven. This was a perilous adventure and will be a lasting glory. Richmond, proud and happy, is singing:

"Oh, the Richmond Blues  
Have slain the booze."

A couplet whose truth gets an unconditional pardon for its rhyme.

COMMANDER OF THE RICHMOND BLUES.



Major E. W. Bowles.



# BLUES GIVEN A FINE WHIRL

Auto Parade a Long and Jolly  
One.

DRESS UNIFORMS NOT GONE

Greater Part of Them Weren't  
in the Fire.

An automobile ride to all the places of interest in the city, including a quick trip from the wholesale to the retail district, a joint parade with the visitors, and a dress parade in what is left of their dress uniforms, was the program provided by the Foot Guard for the first day's entertainment of the famous Richmond Blues, veterans of four wars, who are here, covered with glory, medals, and souvenirs of their visits to Boston and Hartford, and who, in spite of their triumphal reception at the Tontine last night were up and doing early this morning. Lunch at the Country club this noon, appetizers at the various points of interest of the city, and a big dinner at the Shoreham tonight, with the governor of the state as the guest of honor, followed by a ball at the armory are the main features of the program.

## GET HEARTY GREETINGS.

The Blues are a well-set up lot. In their neat fatigue uniforms this morning they attracted a great deal of attention from the crowd who gathered bright and early at the green. There was a great deal of hand shaking going around headquarters this morning for many of the local men hadn't met their friends since their last reunion in Richmond in April, and it was, "How d'ye do, old man. Had a good time up north?" all around the waiting rooms. It is to be regretted that in many cases the response was that a nod of the head and a laconic "Shot to pieces," a military expression used after a hard battle.

All doubt as to whether the dress parade of the Blues would have to be abandoned on account of the fire at the Union station was dissipated when the Corporal Harley arrived in front of the Tontine this morning seated calmly on the top of the largest of the six trunks containing the dress uniforms of the visitors. A salvo of cheers from the members of the Foot Guard greeted his appearance and when he announced that only four trunks out of a possible ten had been burned up, the applause approached the vociferous.

## AUTO PARADE OFF.

Then everyone piled into the automobiles, a line of which began at the Tontine, the headquarters of the Blues and extended way around to the front of Trinity church.

The automobile parade, which was the feature of the Foot Guards' welcome to their visitors was supposed to start at 10 o'clock, but it was an hour later that the marshal's cream-colored auto sped around the green with Ridgeley Larkin, who was chairman of the committee on autos, giving the word for the breakaway. In James C. Kerrigan's nifty Oldsmobile runabout sat Chief of Police Cowles in full dress uniform, occupying the "mother-in-law's seat" on the rumble.

In each of the machines were two members of the Foot Guard, and two of the Richmond Blues. The members of each company wore their fatigue uniforms, but one member indignantly denied that they had put them on on account of the big reception at the Tontine last night. At the start the first automobile in the parade was occupied by Major Brown of the Foot Guard and Major Bowles of the Blues, but by the time that the procession had reached No. 62 Dwight street, the residence of Governor Woodruff, the two majors had fallen to the rear, several high powered machines giving them the dust as they sped up George street.

## SHOWN CITY LANDMARKS.

The Blues saw all the sights of the city, and probably know more of the landmarks of the town and points of historical interest than any one of the thousands who lined the curbs around their route. They saw among other things, the site of the former town farm and the poor house, they saw the Chillingworth well, they saw the Grove Street cemetery, the Roger Sherman house and York street, through which the British entered the town, coming down Broadway past where Foot Guard "Ask Your Neighbor's" store now stands. They saw the corset shop of Strouse, Adler, the largest in the world, and the residence of Captain Mattoon. They saw Pol's and Congress avenue, where the pioneers wintered through the long hard season of 1637-8, and then went out Commerce street, where the famous Captain Kidd is said to have secreted "bags of money." Out First avenue they went, where they were allowed to make "a distant prospect of Morris Cove," where the sixth meal of the day will be served tonight. They came in Campbell avenue, where years and years ago James Hillhouse with a body of the Foot Guard and a number of Yale students took a fall out of the British invaders, and toward the end of the journey they gazed with great interest on the filtering plant of the Water company with a capacity of 20,000,000 gallons of water a day. Audible sighs over the waste were heard above the exhaust of the machines.

## LUNCHEON AT COUNTRY CLUB.

"With reference to their programs" the visitors breathed another sigh, for the next stop (with the letters set big) was "Country Club Lunch."

After the lunch there was a quick return to the hotel, where the fatigue dress were changed for the magnificent full dress uniforms.

Then started the parade. After marching over the principal streets of the city, in company with their hosts, the Blues will go out on the Green to show just how finely they can march. That they have a hard precedent to equal in the "Powder-house maneuvers" of the Foot Guard was universally admitted, but the visitors whisper confidentially that this prize drill this afternoon is the event of their trip north.

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## ANCIENTS TO GO VISITING.

Artillery Company Will Leave Boston Oct 4 for Fall Field Outing in Detroit.

What promises to be a most enjoyable fall field outing will be that of the Ancient and Honorable artillery company, which will take place Oct 4-8, two days of which will be spent at Detroit.

A royal reception is promised the company on its arrival in the western city, the chamber of commerce having joined with the military authorities and the city government, in seeing to it that there will not be a dull moment for the visitors.

The company will leave Boston at 12:15 a m. Sunday, Oct 4, over the Boston & Albany railroad. The company will assemble at the armory at 11 o'clock, and on its march to the South station will halt at the King's chapel burying ground, and with a short service place a wreath on the tomb of the first commander, Capt Robert Kaine. Hereafter this will be an annual duty, but will take place at the June anniversary.

At the South station the company will board a special train of sleepers in one section, which is expected to land the members in Detroit Monday morning, in time for breakfast. In the afternoon the company will be the guests of the chamber of commerce and will be taken to points of interest in autos.

Tuesday it will be the guest of the city and will be taken down the river to one of the celebrated clubs. In the evening the annual banquet of the company will be given, when covers will be laid for some 350, and among the invited guests will be the governor, mayor of Detroit and several of the city government and military officers. Capt James A. Davis will preside and will have as guests Adjt Gen William H. Brigham, Gen Harrison Hume, Col Castleman of Louisville, Ky, and several other prominent men of the southwest.

The company will leave Detroit on Wednesday morning at 11 a m. and will arrive in Boston Thursday about noon.

Capt Davis proposes to make this event one of the most notable in the history of the company. The Salem cadet band, 40 pieces, will be taken along. On the arrival the company will have one of the largest military escorts that ever turned out to meet a visiting organization.



# BRILLIANT SUNDAY SCENE IN HISTORIC KING'S CHAPEL BURYING GROUND

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PHOTO BY POST PHOTOGRAPHER SHOWING THE ANCIENTS DRAWN UP IN LINE SUNDAY NOON IN OLD KING'S CHAPEL BURYING GROUND, PAYING TRIBUTE TO THE MEMORY OF ROBERT KEAYNE, THE FOUNDER OF THE ANCIENTS, AND PLACING A WREATH ON HIS MONUMENT

Preparatory to their Western trip, the longest for some years, the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company yesterday held commemorative exercises over the new tomb of the founder of the company, Captain Robert Keayne, who died March 23, 1655, and is buried in the King's Chapel burying ground.

Under command of Captain James A. Davis a large complement of the company formed yesterday at the armory at Faneuil Hall and marched to the music of the Salem Cadet Band to the King's Chapel burying ground. There the company formed about the tomb and paid tribute with military honors to the memory of Captain Keayne.

The tomb is made of brick, faced with a large granite rock. This rock was the doorstep of the house in which Captain Keayne lived. In the face of the stone is inserted a bronze tablet bearing at the top in large letters the captain's name.

## Inscription on Tablet

The inscription reads:  
ROBERT KEAYNE,  
the FOUNDER of the  
ANCIENT & HONORABLE ARTILLERY COM-  
PANY  
of Massachusetts  
in 1638 and its  
FIRST CAPTAIN  
DIED 23D MARCH, 1655  
This stone was the doorstep at his farmhouse,  
Rumney Marsh.

## COL. NICHOLAS PAIGE

Captain of the company in 1704, also buried here.

This tomb was restored by the A. & H. A. Co., 1908.

The original tomb had been placed over the grave of Captain Keayne by Col. Paige, a succeeding captain of the company, in 1704.

The tomb was decorated with wreaths and the Salem Cadet Band played a requiem. The company, formed in a square about the tomb, stood bareheaded through the exercises, presenting a solemn spectacle rarely seen in the historic old burying ground.

## Off for Detroit

After the exercises in the cemetery the company reformed and paraded to the South station, where they embarked at 12:15 for Detroit.

At Detroit the company will hold its annual field day, returning Thursday.

Today, after the company of the quartered in the armory of the military organization, its members spend the rest of the day in a ride about the city.

Tomorrow the Detroit city will act as host and in the evening the company will be banqueted by the city and the Governor.

A trip on the Detroit River of the attractions prepared for visitors. On this trip they will respect to the historic club "Venice of America," situated on St. Clair.

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## ANCIENTS AT DETROIT

DETROIT, Oct. 5.—The Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of Massachusetts arrived today to hold its semi-annual meeting here. Members of the Board of Commerce and the Common Council met the organization in Windsor, Ont., and escorted them across the river to Detroit.



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## ANCIENTS ON EXCURSION

River Trip at Detroit  
is Much Enjoyed.

Barquet in Evening Feature of  
Fall Field Day.

Prominent Men Respond  
to the Toasts.

DETROIT, Mich., Oct. 6.—Today the Ancient and Honorable artillery company of Boston celebrated its annual fall field day here and tonight the residents of Detroit observed their victory over the Chicago baseball team.

Thousands of people were on the streets and the hotel Pontchartrain, where the Ancients held their banquet, was surrounded with enthusiastic people with every imaginable kind of noise instrument. Boston could not win the pennant, consequently the Ancients joined with their hosts in celebrating.

The Ancients were the guests of the city and Mayor Thompson with a score of members of the city council went down the river with the company in one of the palatial steamers for which the city is famous. The trip was down the American side of Belle Isle and returning by the Canadian route. The steamer was amply provided with the requisites for the tour and the mayor was assisted in entertaining the visitors by members of the state and city government. The company returned at 5 o'clock and at 7 o'clock the reception and banquet took place at the hotel Pontchartrain and to which 150 had been invited. The banquet hall was handsomely decorated.

Supporting Capt Charles A. Davis, commander of the corps, who presided, were several past commanders, Mayor Thompson, Brig Gen Henry M. Duffield, Pres George T. Moody of the board of commerce, Ex-Mayor W. C. Maybury, Hon C. E. Townsend and Commander T. A. McGrath of the Detroit post, G. A. R.

It was near 11 o'clock when Capt Davis called the company to order and with an eloquent address returned thanks to Mayor Thompson for the magnificent reception accorded his company, and in response to the first toast, "The President," called upon Hon Robert E. Townsend for a response. Other toasts with responses were as follows:

"The state of Michigan," Hon Charles T. Moody; "The commonwealth of Massachusetts," Gen William H. Brigham; "The city of Detroit," Hon William C. Maybury; "The city of Boston," Rev Stephen H. Roblin; "The Grand Army of the Republic," Hon Harrison Hume; "The national guard," Gen H. M. Duffield; "Our guests," Mr Frank T. Lodge; J. Harry Hartley.

## ANCIENTS GLAD THEY WENT

DETROIT ENTERTAINS VISITORS  
LAVISHLY

Detroit, Mich., Oct. 6.—Today has been a busy one for the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of Boston, here on its annual pilgrimage. Excursions to the various places of historic interest; receptions by the local veteran military organizations and auto trips are on the day's programme. This evening a large dinner will take place at which the governor, the mayor, prominent citizens and military men will be the guests of the visiting corps.

An enthusiastic welcome was given the visitors upon their arrival in Detroit at noon yesterday. The members of the Board of Commerce and the Common Council met the Ancients at Windsor, Ont., and escorted them across the river to Detroit, where they were received by an enormous crowd. The visitors were escorted to the Hotel Pontchartrain by the Michigan Naval Reserve, the local battalion of the Michigan National Guard, and Detroit Post, G. A. R., the latter organization marching with nearly its entire membership and accompanied by its own military band of fifty pieces.

Upon arrival at the hotel, which will be the headquarters of the Ancients during their stay in the city, the corps was formed in a semi-circle in the rotunda and Mayor Thompson of the city presented the "key to Detroit" to the commander. President Moody of the Board of Commerce also tendered the freedom of the city. Captain James A. Davis, the commander of the Ancients, responded to the mayor and to President Moody, thanking them for the cordial welcome and expressing the sentiments of the corps that "every man was glad he had come."

After luncheon a concert was given by the Salem Cadet Band, under the direction of Jean Missud, in front of City Hall, after which the Ancients were taken in motor cars on a sightseeing trip. Three members of the Ancients were in an automobile accident in the afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Finck had volunteered to take a party out, and in Jefferson avenue the car was overturned by striking a pile of bricks. Mrs. Finck was seriously injured and Mr. Finck was badly shaken, but the three visitors, who were in the rear seats, escaped without harm.

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## BANQUET ENDS ANCIENTS' VISIT

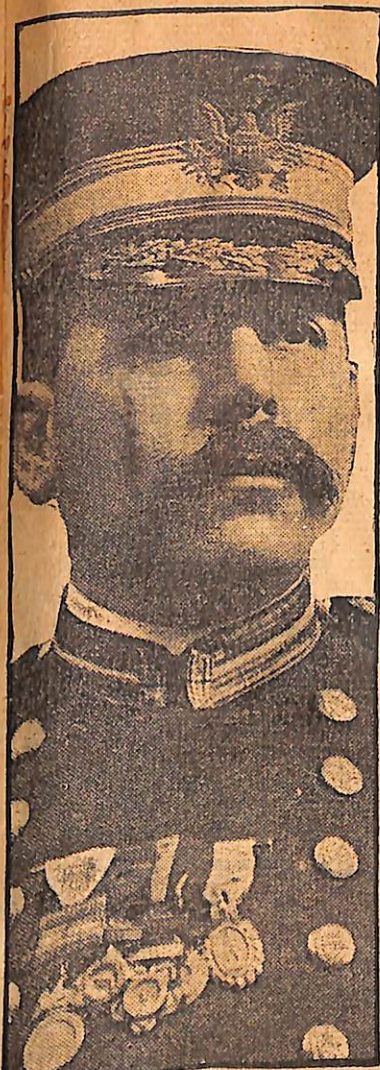
Boston Company Left Detroit  
This Morning for the  
Trip Home.

DETROIT, Oct. 7.—Graced by a display of gold lace and military rank seldom before equalled at a local gathering, the banquet of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of Massachusetts, which was held last night at the Hotel Pontchartrain, was a notable affair. The 25 members of the organization wound up the festivities last night, and this morning for the East, and leave the speakers at last night's banquet were Capt James O. Davis, Adjt.-Gen. William E. Brigham, Hume, Chaplain S. Roblin, Harrison, Hume, Chaplain S. Oakes, all of Massachusetts, Col. W. R. T. Moody, Gen. H. M. Duffield, and George T. Lodge, Congressman Mayfield, Frank send of Jackson, Mich. Charles E. Townsend of Detroit, and Frank of Detroit.

Capt. Davis, in his opening address, he said: "The Hub of the solar system, the Regal city of the inland seas, the greetings of good will, cultured Boston and historic Detroit—cultured Boston more. The old Bay state and the verine blend forces in the hands of the early love and perfect accord."



## NO DRILL FOR BOSTON ARTILLERYMEN



COL. WM. H. OAKES, ADJUTANT.



CAPT. JAS. A. DAVIS.

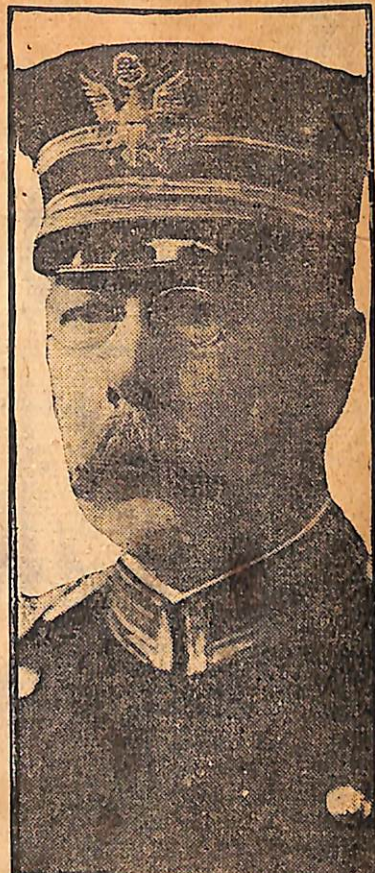
The Ancient and Honourable Artillery company of Massachusetts will spend Monday and Tuesday of next week in Detroit on the annual "field day," which the company has observed for many years. The term "field day" seems to be more a name than anything else. The affair seems to be an excursion for the company, for no space is allowed for drills or games or anything of the sort.



LIEUT. IRVING B. VOSE.

The company will arrive on an early morning train Monday. It will be met at the depot by the local regiment of the Michigan National Guard and escorted to the Pontchartrain, which is to be the company's headquarters during its stay.

Monday afternoon the board of commerce will entertain the visitors with an automobile ride around the city and a lunch at the Belle Isle casino, while Col. Hecker and T. A. McGraw



LIEUT. JOHN D. NICHOLS.

will entertain some of the officers at a private party.

Tuesday the city of Detroit does the entertaining. There will be a boat ride in the afternoon and in the evening the big banquet will be given in Hotel Pontchartrain. There will be a lengthy program of speeches here, at which Gov. Warner and a number of other notables will respond to toasts. The company leaves for Boston Wednesday morning.

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THE DETROIT NEWS, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1, 1908.

# MASSACHUSETTS ANCIENT AND HONOURABLES ARRIVE MONDAY



COL. WM. H. OAKES,  
Fifth Mass. Infantry Adjutant.

Preparations for the reception of the Honourable Artillery Company and the Massachusetts are nearly completed. The company will arrive in Detroit Monday morning at 8:15 over the Michigan Central. They will be met at the station by the Michigan national first regiment command of Col. Kirk guard, under command of Col. Barlow and Lieut.-Col. Pontchartrain and sort the visitors to the line of march. over the Michigan Central the Ancient and



CAPT. JAMES A. DAVIS,  
Commander of Ancient and Honourables.

Honourables will be the guests of the Board of Commerce in an automobile ride around the city and to Belle Isle. Meanwhile the officers of the organization will be the guests of Col. Hecker on his yacht, the Hakeyon, and at the Old club.

Tuesday afternoon the company will see the city's guests on a boat ride. In the evening the banquet will be held at the Hotel Pontchartrain. The Artillery will probably leave for Boston Wednesday morning.



# ARTILLERYMEN SHOWN CITY

BOARD OF COMMERCE HAD  
OVER 60 AUTOMOBILES  
IN PARADE.

GAVE VISITORS BUFFET LUNCH  
AT CASINO ON BELLE ISLE  
DURING AUTO RIDE.

Board of Commerce members had the officers and members of the Ancient and Honourable Artillery company as guests in their automobiles for a tour of the city yesterday afternoon, which was as complete a sight-seeing trip as has ever been undertaken for a body of visitors to Detroit. Sec. Sawyer and his assistants spent the greater part of last week getting in touch with members of the board owning automobiles and securing the use of the cars. The result was that at 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon every street in the neighborhood of the board of commerce building looked like an aisle at the auto show.

Somewhere near 100 cars were secured. With the 250 or more members of the visiting artillery company who went on the trip and the board of commerce members who went along there were about 300 men to be taken care of and over 60 of the automobiles were used. The cars followed a regular route from the board of commerce rooms to the Pontchartrain, took on their guests at the Cadillac square entrance and moved off up Woodward avenue in solid line, led by Pres. Moody in his limousine with the mayor and three officers of the company.

The route covered Woodward avenue to the boulevard, the boulevard around past the big factories and down to Jefferson avenue, that street to the water works park, where the autos wound in and out among the trees, back down Jefferson avenue to Belle Isle bridge and across to the casino, where the inevitable photograph was taken and a buffet luncheon served. Park Commissioner Breitmeyer was on hand at the Casino to help do the honors.

After the luncheon the line of autos went around the island, and out to Grosse Pointe for a view of the handsome country residences.

Last night there was no set entertainment. Many of the local men who had participated in the entertainment during the day looked their new made friends up and there were small parties without number, red coats and gold braid being in evidence in all the theaters and places of amusement in town.

# FIRST MILITARY COMPANY HERE

BOSTON ARTILLERY CORPS  
ANTEDATED WAR OF  
REVOLUTION.

COMES TO DETROIT FOR VISIT,  
WHICH IS ANNUAL FEATURE  
FOR 1ST MONDAY IN OCT.

The Ancient and Honourable Artillery Company of Massachusetts, the oldest military organization in the United States, is in Detroit for its annual fall field day, set by its charter for the first Monday in October and of late years held in any city of the country which the organization may decide to visit.

The visitors, with their diversity of uniforms, from those of the Revolutionary war down to those of militia companies of Massachusetts of the present day, are fairly redolent of the history of the early days of the United States, when Boston, Philadelphia and New York were the only cities of the British dependency on this side of the water, of the days when the British yoke was thrown off, and of the still later days when members of the company shouldered their muskets and went into the Civil war to preserve the Union which their forefathers had helped to make.

Back in 1639, over a century before the Revolutionary war, there were scattered militia or home guard companies, mostly formed for protection against the Indians, through what is now the state of Massachusetts. The Military Company of Massachusetts, as it was known at its formation, was organized as a training school for the officers of these home guard companies. For a great many years it served a valuable purpose and for a great many years since it has served as a valuable purpose in the treasuring of priceless relics and the fostering of patriotic pride.

## The Company.

The company, as it came to Detroit this morning, numbers 270 officers and men, not including the Salem Cadet band of 35 pieces. A special train of 12 cars brought the company through, leaving Boston yesterday noon and reaching Windsor at 9:45 this morning.

In Windsor the visitors were met by City Clerk George T. Gaston, Ald. Paul Renaud, chairman of the council reception committee, and Frank T. Lodge and E. R. Schreitt, jr., the two latter officers of Michigan Sovereign Consistory, Scottish Rite, most of the visitors being Scottish Rite Masons.

In the Michigan Central depot Mayor Thompson, the rest of the council reception committee, Chairman W. C. Sprague, and several members of the board of commerce social committee, and officers from the Michigan National Guard and Detroit posts, G. A. R., were waiting. There was no formal reception at the depot. Capt. J. A. Davis, commanding the Ancient and Honourable Artillery company, requested the mayor and others there to receive the company, to fall in with his staff and the visitors marched out of the depot in double lines.

Up on Jefferson avenue an artillery post stood at rest while the mounted militia companies, under command of Lieut.-Col. Walter Barlow, and Detroit post, the militia and the post each being accompanied by a band, marched past. Then the artillery fell in behind, as befitting the guests and the line of march was taken up. It covered Jefferson, Griswold, Michigan, Washington and Woodward avenues on the way to Hotel Pontchartrain, where the company is quartered.

## The Reception.

In the hotel the officers and men of the company formed a half square in the lobby with Capt. Davis and his staff in the center, and there were brief speeches of welcome and responses. Mayor Thompson extended the official welcome of the city. He told the visitors that the city is honored by their presence, and that the city wants them to have a good time. "I want to say to you, though," he added, "that I had the pleasure of meeting your committee here some weeks ago and I don't believe we could show them anything about having a good time. In fact, I think they

Capt. Davis responded on behalf of the company.

"We are delighted to be here with you," he declared. "We have been looking forward to this visit for weeks and now that we are here we intend to make the most of our opportunity for enjoyment."

President Geo. T. Moody welcomed the visitors on behalf of the board of commerce in a happy little speech.

"They say the people of this country are never so happy as when visiting other people," he said. "I want to tell you that the people of Detroit are never so happy as when they are entertaining guests."

After the formal welcome officers and men were left to their own devices until 2 o'clock, when they were taken in automobiles for a ride about the city, to conclude with a lunch at the casino on Belle Isle. During the time of the ride the band will give a concert on a platform built over the city hall lawn. Most of the officers will have dinner at the Country club.

## The Captain's "Privates."

Capt. Davis commands the company. He has on his staff: Col. Sidney M. Hedges, chief of staff, who has been twice commander of the company, the company visited London, and being now a member of the staff of the governor of Massachusetts; Gen. Wm. H. Brigham, adjutant general of Massachusetts; Rev. Stephens H. Roblin, chaplain, pastor of the Columbus Avenue Universalist church in Boston; Col. Henry E. Smith, a past commander; Capt. Thos. J. Olys, a past commander; Col. A. M. Ferris, a past commander; Capt. J. Stearns Cushing, a past commander; Maj. Henry B. Jordan, a past commander; Col. A. M. Foss, on the staff of the governor of New Hampshire; Lieut. Jas. J. Grover, Lieut. Saml. A. Neill, Lieut. Geo. H. Allen, clerk; Capt. A. C. Smith, chief surgeon, and Lieuts. Frederick E. Jones and Gustavus F. Walker, surgeons.

Most of the members are decorated with badges. The service badge is worn by all, with a bar for every five years of service. Lieut. Allen's badge is so covered with bars that the ribbon is hardly visible. He will complete his fiftieth year as clerk of the company in December, and was a member two years before becoming a clerk.

In addition to the service badge there are the insignia of the company, trips, and many of the members wear either active or associate G. A. R. badges. Col. Oakes, adjutant of the company, has one pin nearly a foot long, from which hang all of his badges.

Marching in the line this morning was Frederick B. Wentworth, 83 years old, who wears the uniform of the New England Guard, an organization which dates back to Revolutionary days. The uniform is Continental and he wears an immense fur shako. There were also in the line uniforms of the governor's foot guard, of the Boston City Guard and several other organizations which date back to revolutionary times. The company permits the wearing of any uniform which the wearer has a right to, or may pick out from 25 per cent of the men in line had on uniforms of other than the regulation dress of the company.

The company's two annual dates are the fall field day, which is usually a visit to some other city, and the anniversary celebration on the first Monday in June, when the company marches to church and then goes to Boston common and holds its election in the open.



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# ANCIENTS OFF FOR BOSTON

FAMOUS MILITARY BODY  
HAD A FINE TIME IN  
DETROIT.

BOAT RIDE AND BANQUET CON-  
CLUDED THE LAST DAY'S  
GLORIOUS FUN.

At 11 o'clock this morning, the special train which brought the Ancient and Honourable Artillery company of Massachusetts on its visit to Detroit, drew out of the Michigan Central depot, the platforms crowded with members of the company, in dress uniforms, waving farewells to the Detroiters who have been entertaining them and have been entertained by them for two days.

The "Ancients," as members of the organization refer familiarly to each other, had a good time during their stay. Members declare it is the finest trip they have ever had, with the single exception of their visit to London.

Detroit was honored by the "Ancients" in the amount of entertainment accepted. The company usually does its own entertaining. It asks a city which is visited to do nothing for it, but arranges its own program of entertainment, inviting city officers and representative men to join in it. In Detroit, however, local organizations and officers were allowed to do considerable entertaining, and when the "Ancients" let anybody else do any entertaining it is a mark of great esteem.

The city tendered the company a boat ride on the steamer Pleasure yesterday afternoon. A buffet lunch was served during the ride, which extended up into the lake and down river to Fighting Island. On the way home Capt. Denstaedt put the Pleasure in close enough to get the base-ure in megaphone from Smith's ball score by megaphone from Smith's ball score. The ninth inning had not been played, but when the Boston men heard that it stood 5 to 0 in favor of Detroit in the eighth they sent up a cheer that made the demonstration of the Detroiters on the boat sound like the college yell of a deaf mute institute.

Later at Hotel Pontchartrain the Boston men were the most persistent rooters in the whole bunch. The big cafe was crowded with parties of celebrators. There would come a lull and a dignified looking "Ancient" in and a dignified looking "Ancient" in and a gold laced uniform would march up to a table crowded with his fellow members and their Detroit friends.

"Now one-two-three-four-five - six-seven-We-e-e-ah-h-h," and before the second row had been counted the whole bunch would be up on their toes, shouting to the limit of their lungs, and the long-drawn "We-e-e-ah-h-h" would be followed by a wild cheer that would make even the baseball crazed crowds on the streets stop and peer into the doors to see what special demonstration was going on.

The big banquet last night was the climax of the Ancients' visit to Detroit. Capt. Davis presided and Col. W. H. Oakes, adjutant of the company, was the toastmaster.

Davis made the opening address. Congressman Charles E. Townsend responded to the toast, "The President of the United States," and drew nearly as much applause by an eloquent tribute to President Roosevelt as did President Geo. T. Moody of the board of commerce when he, in response to the toast, "The State of Michigan," declared that one of the state's prized possessions was a baseball team.

Adj. Gen. Wm. H. Brigham of the Massachusetts National Guard team for "The Commonwealth of Massachusetts," ex-Mayor Wm. C. Maybury for "The City of Detroit," Chaplain Stephen H. Rollin of the Ancients for "The City of Boston," Hon. Harrison Hume for "The Grand Army of the Republic," Gen. H. M. Duffield for "The National Guard," and Frank T. Lodge concluded the program with a response to the toast, "Our Guests." After the banquet a large number of the Ancients joined in the baseball celebration, which continued until well into the morning hours.

# ARTILLERY CO. COMES TODAY

"Ancients and Honorables" on  
Their Way From Boston  
—Two Days in Detroit.

Today and tomorrow, Detroit will entertain the Ancient and Honourable Artillery Company of Massachusetts, the oldest military organization in the country. It is expected that the special train bearing the members of this notable body will arrive at the Michigan Central depot about 11 o'clock this morning.

The visitors will be met by an escort comprising the two Detroit battalions of the First regiment M. N. G., and probably the Naval Reserves, Detroit Post, No. 384, G. A. R., and other military bodies. From the depot the artillery company and its escort will march to the Hotel Pontchartrain where the former will be quartered during its stay in Detroit.

Members of the Detroit board of commerce committee and the common council committee named to look after the entertainment of the artillery company will assemble in the mayor's office at 9 o'clock this morning and proceed to Windsor to meet and board the special train, accompanying the easterners to the city.

## 275 Coming.

The artillery company will be represented by 275 members. No ladies accompany the party, it being one of the rules of the organization that the feminine sex is barred from participation in the training day trips. A band of 35 pieces, the same which accompanied the company on its European trip some years ago, is coming along and will give a public concert today from the city hall steps between 2 and 3:30 p. m.

"Those who are expecting to see remarkable drill maneuvers may be disappointed," said George D. White, a member of the artillery company, who reached the Hotel Pontchartrain yesterday to complete the arrangements for the lodging of his associates. "In an organization such as ours, largely made up of officers, practice in drilling is usually lacking."

"Another thing that may surprise many is the heterogeneous variety of uniforms worn by the members. Every member, you know, is privileged to wear the uniform of any military organization of which he may have been a member before joining the artillery company. They may even wear the uniform of a foreign nation, provided they are American citizens themselves. Every member must be a citizen of the United States."

## Masons to Participate.

An automobile ride about the city, followed by lunch in the Belle Isle casino, are features of the program outlined for this afternoon by the city and board of commerce.

Officers of the artillery company will be taken for a river ride on the yacht of Col. F. J. Hecker, the destination being the Country club, where lunch will be served.

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## MAKES START FROM BOSTON

Ancient and Honourable Artillery  
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Boston, Mass., October 4.—Under the command of Capt. James A. Davis, the Ancient and Honourable Artillery company left Boston today on its annual tour with Detroit as the objective point. Shortly after noon the special train pulled out of the Terminal station. There was a rousing send-off, and soon after it had passed from the suburbs the members in full-dress uniform tackled the first event on the long program of breakfasts, luncheons and dinners.

At Pittsfield, Mass., a stop was made for dinner. A good part of one of the Ancients' special cars is stocked with favorite brands of champagne, enough to last till Detroit is reached.

Before leaving Boston the company marched to King's Chapel, where a wreath was placed on the grave of the company's founder.

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## TO ENTERTAIN ARTILLERY.

Board of Commerce Will Act as Host  
for Boston Visitors.

Arrangements are about complete for the entertainment of the Ancient and Honourable Artillery Company of Massachusetts, the oldest military organization in the United States, which is to arrive in Detroit Monday morning on a special train from Boston.

The visitors will be escorted to the Pontchartrain hotel by one of the Detroit military companies, and in the afternoon are to be guests of the Board of Commerce for an automobile ride around the boulevards and Belle Isle, with a light luncheon served at the casino. Tuesday they will be the guests of the city for a trip on the river, and in the evening the company will hold its "two hundred and seventy-first field day" banquet at the Hotel Pontchartrain.

The Ancient and Honourable Artillery Company is the most noted military organization in this country, and its "high privates" are mostly officers from other military organizations. It was organized in 1637 as a junior organization of the "Company of the Artillery Garden" of London, and was granted a charter by the government of Massachusetts March 13, 1638. Members of it became well-known officers in the revolutionary and civil wars.

James A. Davis is captain of the company, and William H. Oakes, adjutant. About 270 are expected to make the visit to Detroit.



## VERY OLDEST MILITARY IN THE UNITED STATES NOW IN DETROIT

Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of Massachusetts  
Has a Record Which Dates Before Even That of  
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The Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of Massachusetts has a pedigree of marvelous length. This organization can point to an inception in 1537 in London, England, from the famous old body of Archers, of which Robin Hood was not the least, and the members graced American soil 16 years after the landing of the Mayflower. Most of the members are descendants of those privileged passengers, the New Englanders of sturdy Revolutionary stock, but not all artillery officers, commissioned, or non-commissioned. Gunnery is neither their passion, nor their pastime; neither is patriotism their most serious affair. For one thing, it takes money to become an Ancient and Honorable officer, and patriotism is not a lucrative profession in every case.

It took money to publish the magnificent volume-de-luxe of the society—some \$25,000. It took money in 1896 to go to London to see the late Queen Victoria and parade for her. There was a dinner at Windsor castle and another, as the guests of the present king, then the head of Marlborough house. But the Ancient and Honorables are not a whit abashed by royal grandeur. They are mostly Bostonians, and "to the manner born," even though a soldier in full regimentals of the Continental uniform may keep step with a mere militiaman or a Lancer with the Sons of Veterans.

### Trophies of 25 Battles.

Now, for the "real" soldiers. Maj. George A. Maynard is the hero of 25 battles, and he has trophies of some of them. One medal of honor bears witness to a deed of valor performed at Fredericksburg, May-

nard was in the skirmish line when a comrade fell wounded at his side. The regiment was ordered back, and Maynard went with it. When they reached the battery he thought of his dying friend, and returned single-handed to the field under heavy fire. He dragged his chum from stage to stage, up Bowling Green road, and when his strength gave out called two stretcher men to finish his work.

Maynard was also in the secret service to investigate slave traffic, smuggling and the Ku Klux Klan. He had charge of the Lincoln conspirators at Fort Jefferson, Dry Tortugas and other important prisons.

Another veteran is George Bliss, one of five brothers, who fought for their country while they were youths.

Thomas J. Tute helped to reconstruct the Naval hospital at Norfolk, Va., and for two years was commander of the G. A. R. club of Massachusetts, a high honor in military circles.

### Sergt. Manchester Prominent.

Theodore A. Manchester, a sergeant from Rhode Island in the Civil war, enjoys a singular prominence. Manchester is the only member of the Sons of Veterans who entered upon his grandfather's laurels. While this is permissible, it is said to be without a parallel.

Frederick B. Wentworth, 83 years old, who wears an immense fur shako on parade, favors the uniform of the New England Guard.

Lieut. Allen, clerk of the company, has been 50 years in office; Col. Weldon, another loyal member, has been a member for 60 years and never missed one parade. They are great events in Boston—the company's annual parade, commissioned by the governor, on Boston Common and winding up at the Old South church, and do not a little to keep military memories green.

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In the ranks will also be seen a man 83 years old, carrying a musket. He is Serg. Wentworth, of Boston, and he has been in military life for the past 60 years. He is a civil war veteran, as is Col. Weldon, also of Boston.

The organization elects officers every spring, using what they call the drum head election. It is held on Boston common, and all the ballots are deposited on the drum. Then they are counted, and the winners announced. They step forward, receive their commission from the governor of the state, and are then given a salute by the battery guns. The officers consist of a commander, first and second lieutenant, adjutant and 12 sergeants, six from the artillery and six from the infantry.

As a compliment to Mayor Thompson the band will give a concert in front of the city hall this afternoon between 2 and 3:30 o'clock.

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Thus Capt. James A. Davis, of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of Massachusetts, heralded in his opening address at the banquet Tuesday evening the meeting of men of Michigan and New England. Graced by a volume of gold lace and military rank seldom before banded together at a local gathering the banquet at the Pontchartrain hotel was a notable affair.

More than 400 of the "Ancient and Honourable" and guests from Michigan and Massachusetts had partaken of a bounteous feast when Capt. Davis opened the program which carried the session well toward 1 o'clock when the toast of Frank T. Lodge to "Our Guests" marked its conclusion. Gay uniforms and the simple decorations of stars and stripes and red roses and carnations gave a touch of color to the somberly trimmed main dining room of the hostelry and jolly and good fellowship prevailed.

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Again and again throughout the evening the wild street celebration in honor of the pennant-winning game at Chicago penetrated to the guests within and catching the spirit of the ancient artillery men vied with the local representatives in numbering. "One, two, three, four, five, six, seven."

Earlier in the evening the banquet came near to disaster when several hundred exuberant fans marched through the corridors of the Pontchartrain and were only prevented from invading the banquet hall itself by intervention of a strong guard of waiters and bell boys.

Ex-Mayor Maybury and Chaplain Roblin, of the Artillery company, vied with each other in exploiting the hospitality of their respective cities when they toasted in turn Detroit and Boston.

As proof of the entertainment accorded by Detroit at all times, Maybury retailed "Tom McGraw's Mission" of the surrender of the city to the British in 1812, how Gen. Hull seeing a large party of red-coated gentlemen approaching up the river and realizing the impossibility of quartering them and his own army in the limited quarters at Fort Pontchartrain, moved them out in a spirit of hospitality to let the British enter. "This great hotel has been built, gentlemen, in honor of your coming visit, that we might house you and entertain you and at the same time enjoy your visit ourselves," said Maybury.

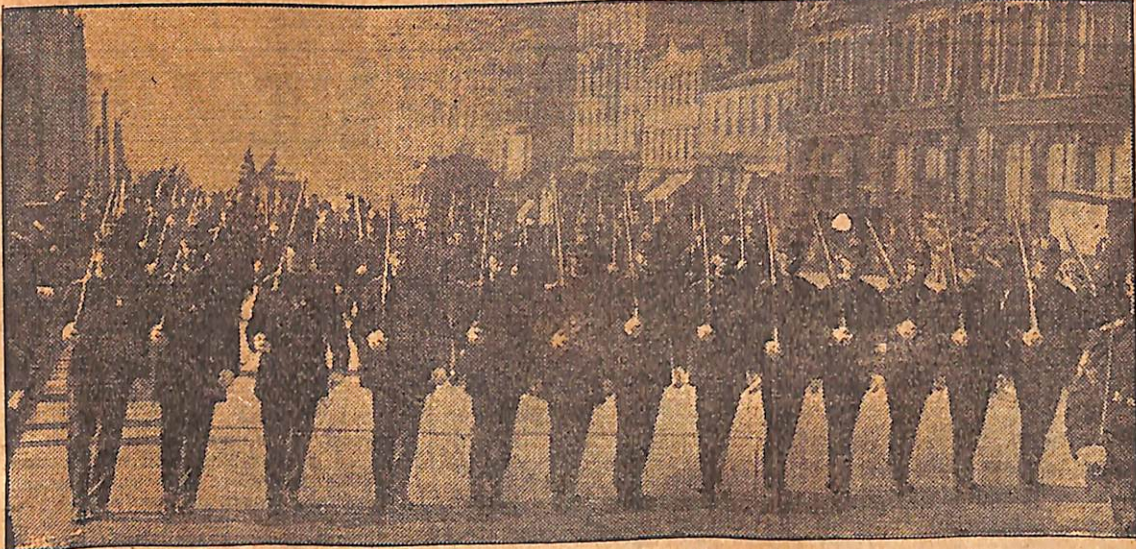
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Adj. Gen. William H. Bingham responded to the toast to Michigan, by George T. Moody, on behalf of Massachusetts. Hon. Harrison H. H. soldier from Maine, toasted the Grand Army of the Republic and incidentally eulogized ex-Gov. Hazen S. Pinyan, a native, with himself, of Tree state of Denmark, in the Pine responded

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Such a display of hospitality is enormous. The expression of one member of the Ancient and Honourable Artillery Co. of Massachusetts, at the conclusion of the buffet lunch given to the gentlemen from the vicinity of Plymouth rock at Belle

Isle casino Monday afternoon, and the expression was one of many of the sort heard on every hand. The "Ancient and Honourable" were plainly pleased with themselves and with their entertainment.

Exactly 100 automobiles were called into commission by the Detroit Board of Commerce Monday afternoon to provide conveyance for the visitors and fully 400 gentlemen were in the party. With President Moody, of the Board of Commerce, in the lead, accompanied in his machine by Mayor Thompson and the chief officers of the military organization, the autos strung out in single file. When the last had wheeled away from the north door of the Pontchartrain hotel, the leaders were more than a mile down Woodward avenue. The line of march, led by the main thoroughfare to North Grand boulevard, thence east and south to Jefferson, the Water Works park and back to Belle Isle casino. Following the lunch the cars swung around the island boulevards and then to Grosse Pointe before landing the party once more at the Pontchartrain.



# 'ANCIENTS' PARADE IS DISPLAY OF SPLENDOR

MASSACHUSETTS' ARISTOCRATIC  
MILITARY ORGANIZATION AR-  
RIVES FOR TWO DAYS' VISIT—  
B. OF C.'S GUESTS TODAY.

Detroit is today entertaining the most unique military organization in the America, if not in the world.

The Ancient and Honorable Artillery, of Massachusetts, arrayed in all the splendor of bright colors and gold lace which distinguish that body arrived in Detroit at 10:15 Monday morning. Thousands of persons who lined the downtown avenues of the city saw such a military parade as they had never witnessed before and probably never will again.

There were about 300 men in line and it is safe to say that not more than two dozen were garbed alike. There was every form of military uniform known to American history, from the colonial long coat and three-cornered hat to the modern khaki dress. Men in the uniform of brigadier generals and cavalry colonels marched along side privates in the resplendent blue, red and gold of the artillery company's especial uniform.

During its 270 years of existence, the Ancient and Honorable Artillery company has been a training band for officers, and its membership is still largely composed of present and veteran officers of the regular army and the New England militia. As each man has the right to wear any uniform to which he is entitled by past rank or by heritage from his father or grandfather, there were more varieties of army dress in the line than were ever seen here before at once.

## Visitors Get Royal Welcome.

A royal welcome was given the visitors. A committee met them at Windsor, coming across on the car ferry, and at the Michigan Central station there was an escort consisting of two companies of the Michigan militia and of Fairbanks Post, G. A. R.

Lieut.-Col. Walter H. Barlow acted as marshal of the parade, which was headed by a platoon of mounted police. Capt. Dan Smith acted as aide. The Michigan militia led, preceded by the First regiment band and following them came the G. A. R. men in black frock coat uniforms also with a band.

Commander James Davis, wearing the gorget, which is the symbol of his office, led the Ancients. Col. Sidney M. Hedges acted as chief of staff. With the staff marched Mayor Thompson, City Clerk Gaston, W. C. Sprague, heading the Board of Commerce committee; Ald. Heineman and Renaud and E. R. Schreiter.

The march was along Jefferson-ave. to Griswold-st., to Michigan-ave., to Washington boulevard, to Park-st., thence down Woodward-ave. to Jefferson-ave. and, countermarching, to the Pontchartrain.

Arrived at the hotel, Mayor Thompson made a brief address of welcome, which was responded to by Commander Davis. George T. Moody, president of the Board of Commerce, made another welcoming speech which was also replied to by Commander Davis. The formation then broke up for a luncheon intermission.

This afternoon the Ancients are the guests of the Board of Commerce for the afternoon, that body having arranged an automobile ride about the city with a lunch later in Belle Isle casino and a program of speeches.

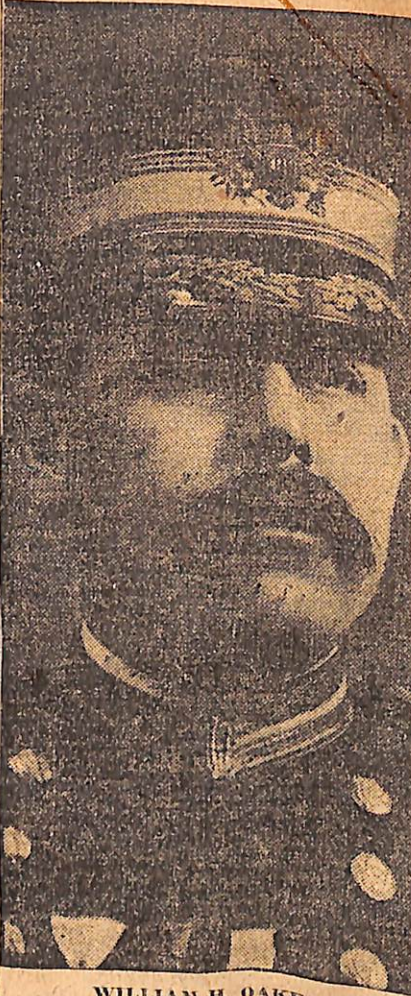
Monday evening many of the visitors, who are Masons of high rank, will be entertained by the Michigan Sovereign Consistory.

The banquet is to be held Tuesday evening in the Pontchartrain. Gov. Warner, W. C. Maybury and others will reply to toasts.

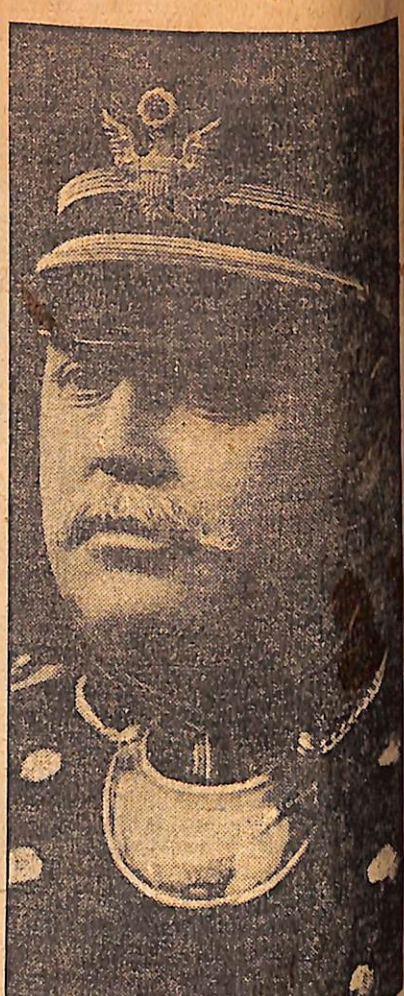
This trip of the Ancients and Honorable Artillery is known as the annual field day, and it is the custom to visit a different city each year.

The company leaves Detroit Wednesday morning.

## Prominent in Ancient And Honorable Artillery



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## THEIR ONE MOTTO, GOOD COMRADESHIP

### Progress Made at the Meeting of Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company.

Good comradeship characterized the annual banquet given by the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of Massachusetts, given in the large cafe of the Hotel Pontchartrain last night. From Chaplain Stephen H. Rollin's invocation, to the response to the last toast, everything went off with precision, while the spirit of good fellowship pervaded throughout.

There was no lack of good things, and a plentiful supply of refreshments. Ballardvale water was a feature.

Congressman Charles E. Townsend of Jackson, from the second Michigan district, was introduced by Col. W. H. Oakes, the toastmaster, to respond to the toast, "The President of the United States." "The office of the president," said Congressman Townsend, "more than ever before, seems to be the noblest office in the whole world. Our president is consulted, as a matter of course, before any great international matter is considered. So our president is a factor in all the great international affairs."

### Progress in the Past.

"Our country has progressed in the past. It must continue to progress in the centuries to come. In the few short years that have passed the success of the experiment has been so marked, that it is safe to say our country, that it president, who now occupies the White House, is a man eminently fitted for the position. I insist he is a man who has an eye single to all that is right. He may have made mistakes, but he may have been ready to forgive him."

"Michigan" was the theme allotted to George T. Moody, president of the board of commerce, in the absence of Gov. Warner. President Moody commented briefly on the state and industries, adding:

"This state has given to the world such men as Cass, Chandler and Alger—men who, in their own right, had that sort of stuff which has contributed to the upbuilding of our national life and character."

### General Brigham's Case.

To Adjt.-Gen. W. H. Brigham of Massachusetts was assigned the plotting of his own state. In his remarks, Gen. Brigham declared that Massachusetts had long been declared to adopt "Col." Thomas trying to draw of Detroit. He also paid tribute to Gov. Gould of the Bay State.

Other speakers, and their responses, were "The city of Detroit," Ex-Mayor W. C. Maybury; "G. A. R.," Hon. Harrison Hurne; "National Guard," Gen. H. B. Boston; "Detroit," Capt. M. Duff; "Detroit," Capt. Frank Davis, commander of the company, also spoke briefly.



# "ANCIENTS" OUT FOR A GOOD TIME

"OLD SCOUTS FROM MASSACHUSETTS" NOT ALL POMP AND DIGNITY.

Scores of Members of Artillerymen, It Is Said, Count Their Wealth in Seven Figures.

Cocked hats and knee breeches, gay sashes, swords, spangles and buckles, the scanty 300 "Ancients and Honourables" of Massachusetts are having a glorious time in Detroit. Individual citizens and municipality alike have turned out to do them honor seldom before accorded a visiting military organization outside of war time.

Previous announcements of the Ancient and Honourable Artillery tended to create the impression that the gentlemen from the vicinity of Plymouth Rock were a band in the maneuvers of which pomp and dignity and genealogy would predominate. To one who spent an afternoon and evening among them, however, it is apparent that the "Old Scouts from Massachusetts," as one of their number dubbed them, are moved likewise by a spirit of genuine good fellowship and conviviality. The "Ancients and Honourables" came to exploit the manual of arms after the manner of Faneuil hall, to be sure, but incidentally they came bent on having and are having one uproarious good time.

## The Membership.

Apparently the characteristics which may recommend an individual as candidate for membership in the "Ancient and Honourables" are divers, though military men predominate in the organization. First it is apparent that the would-be artilleryman must be of honorable repute, but beyond this scarcely one of the membership but has proven himself superior in some line of activity.

Maj. George C. Maynard, for instance, wears upon his breast the gold disc and blue ribbons of the United States congressional medal of honor, his life to save fellow-soldiers, risking a private in the service of his country during the civil war. There are other distinguished soldiers, scholars, statesmen and journalists among the "Ancient and Honourables," but others of the brigade have distinguished themselves in the marts of trade. A score there are, it is said, who count their wealth in seven figures, now and then one in the company may add an eighth digit to the sum total of his fortune.

One of the number, F. W. Homan, of Gloucester by the sea, is written a baron among ice and fish merchants on the eastern coast. Withal the vision of the organization encompasses the best in citizenship that the Bay state has to offer, and the purpose of the Ancient and Honourable Artillery they will tell you is to perpetuate in young America the military spirit and patriotism of the Pilgrim fathers from which the old company took its growth.

## A Veteran of 80.

Oldest in years among the visitors to Detroit, and with 80 years to his credit as a member of the Massachusetts national guard, is Frederick B. Wentworth, 80, of Boston. Capt. Wentworth, beside his membership in the artillery, is among the few surviving members of the Old New England Guard, and the later organization, like the artillery, was organized to fight in a time of emergency. Once during the war of 1812 a British warship was reported to have entered the harbor at Marblehead, 15 miles from Boston. There were no troops on hand to fight them off, and armed with shotguns and axes a little company of New Englanders banded together to lay down their lives if necessary on the Marblehead beach. Thus originated the New England Guard. The company perpetuated by Wentworth and others provided the officers for the Twenty-fourth, Forty-fourth and Forty-fifth Massachusetts volunteers at the beginning of what the aged Wentworth characterizes the "Grand Riot" in 1860.

Frederick B. Wentworth is a relative of "Long John" Wentworth, who, in 1850, became first mayor of Chicago.

Oldest in years of membership in the artillery is Lieut. George H. Allen, secretary of the organization. Lieut. Allen wears ten service stripes on his sleeve, indicating more than 50 years' membership. Capt. E. R. Frost, of Auburndale, who gained his title as a soldier in the civil war, and who is now 72 years old, ranks next to Allen in period of membership. One five-year stripe less he has than Lieut. Allen, but one more year will mark his half century of service.

## Mayflower Descendant.

C. F. Haire hails from Plymouth, Mass., and his home borders Plymouth Rock. Haire's forefathers were among the passengers in the Mayflower and he wears in their memory with great pride a ring set with a large embossed piece of the historic stone.

Joshua M. Cushing, of Duxbury, and J. Harry Hartley, the latter 17 years a soldier for John Bull and now military editor of the Boston Globe, are also distinguished members of the party visiting Detroit.

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The Ancients have been having the time of their lives in Detroit this week, and the hospitality they received bids fair to become proverbial. But when their band—the Salem Cadet—rose from their beds in the chill grey dawn to meet the winning ball team when they returned home, the city would have done all in its power to show its appreciation of this courtesy.



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"Boston has even been painted as a city cold and dignified," said Chaplain Roblin. "It has even been said that if ever a Bostonian resorted to the practice of holding hands he wore mittens. No longer ago than last evening I had proof that the charge against Bostonians is untrue when I saw our own Col. Hedges embracing your Col. Hecker and our Col. Ferris weeping copious tears on the bosom of Tom McGraw."

Adj. Gen. William H. Bingham replied to the toast to Michigan, by George T. Moody, on behalf of Massachusetts. Hon. Harrison Hume, "a soldier from Maine," toasted the "Army of the Republic and incidentally eulogized ex-Gov. Hazen S. Pingree, a native, with himself, of the village of Denmark, in the Pine Tree state. Gen. Henry M. Duffield responded to the toast "The national guard."





*Pictures taken on  
Yacht of Col Leekey  
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